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Short History and a Word of Tribute.

Since the history of Mennonitism has been written by many able scholars let it suffice to give just a short sketch of our people in order to make intelligible reading to those who may not have access to other historical works.

Most of our people came from Holland where the Mennonite faith developed from the Anabaptist movement in Europe. Dutch noblemen had granted toleration for a time to various elements of these Anabaptist bodies early in their history. However in the passing of years the liberal rulers died and new ones came to power who either personally or thru pressure from other ecclesiastical sources, did not look with favor on these people because of their religious beliefs.

Menno Simons, a former Roman Catholic priest who had left the church, assembled the believers in Holland and organized them into a fellowship or society. Having been their leader, he became their pastor and later their elder.

Not being tolerated any longer in Holland, they had to look about for a new place of abode. Fortunately about this time the Prussian and Polish nobility of the Vistula River valley heard of them, and knowing of their ability and skill to transform below sea level land into productive soil, invited them to come and settle on their estates.

Written contracts have been found showing how these Dutch Mennonites by groups leased large tracts of land from the noblemen on long-term leases, usually 30 to 40 years, in which were specified the privileges they would have as well as their obligations to the landlord. Covered were such items as the use of forests for building lumber and fuel, the right to sell their produce in the nearby towns, fishing and transportation rights on the rivers, building of access roads and other economic rights. Most important of all, however, the contract also covered the right to worship as they pleased, to bury their dead, to build chapels and schools, and to man them with their own teachers who gave religious instruction to the children as well as teaching the three R's.

They soon built thriving villages where formerly swamps and floods held sway. Two-thirds of the arable land of Poland was at that time uncultivated. These Dutchmen, thru superhuman effort dammed and brought under control the banks of the Vistula and its tributaries, drained the swamps and succeeded in making tillable soil of the once devastated area. They knew the value of good stock and took good care of it. They introduced purebred lines and knew how to make good cheese and butter which had a ready market in the nearby towns. As the land yielded increased income so also had they to pay increased rent.

But the land area was limited and as succeeding generations came to maturity a land dearth arose. They were confronted with the alternative of finding other means of livelihood or other places of settlement. Some made their living by working at masonry, woodsmanship, weaving and other crafts which yielded but a meager existence; thus they had to seek other places of abode.

During this time Catherine II of Russia had learned about these enterprising people and she decided they were just the kind she needed to build up her country's economy. She invited them to come there, offering free land, tax exemption for a number of years as well as exemption from military service plus many other privileges. Also about this time, 1772, Poland was divided between Austria, Russia and Prussia, most of the region where our forefathers lived going to Prussia.

Our forefathers were fairly well satisfied with Prussian rule but their emperor, Frederick the Great, needed soldiers for his many military campaigns and he regarded with envy the fine young men of the Mennonites. Soon he demanded that they be inducted into the Prussian army. This they resisted and another crisis presented itself.

Many of our people later took advantage of Queen Catherine's invitation and moved to the rich productive areas of the Ukraine with its favorable climate and rich soil, spreading to the valleys of the Molotschna and Volga Rivers, where they greatly prospered. Others decided it would be better to be back under Polish rule and moved back into regions not too far from Ostrog where they founded the villages of Karolswalde, Karolsberg, Waldheim and others; near Warsaw the villages of Deutsch-Kasun and Deutsch-Wymischle, and Michalin and Heinrichsdorf farther on into Russia.

So here is where we meet our immediate forefathers when by about 1871, Poland was taken over by Russia and it meant that all would be integrated into the Russian order of the day. Queen Catherine had died and another ruler had come to the throne who wanted to terminate the special privileges of the Mennonites. Again, compulsory military service was the principle to which they would not consent.

Before going on mention must be made here that after some few years the Mennonites who remained in Russia succeeded in making an agreement with the czarist government that in lieu of military service their young men could perform forestry work which was satisfactory to them. However after the Bolshevik Revolution when unspeakable persecution, oppression, famine and indescribable suffering was visited upon them they bitterly regretted not having come to America when they had the chance.

Referring again to the Volhynian Mennonites and some of the Russian brethren, after hearing of the opportunities in the New World, they decided to investigate the conditions here so a deputation of 12 men was chosen and sent to America to look things over and examine colonization possibilities.

Just previously some literature had been received from several railroad companies that were building new lines to the western frontiers, inviting settlers from Europe and extolling the opportunities of obtaining cheap land on their right of way, thus exciting the landless masses of these regions to look into the offer.

Elder Tobias Unruh was the one chosen from the Volhynian Province of Poland to be the representative of our forefathers. These 12 men investigated the situation in the middle states and Canada. When they returned to their people and described to them in glowing terms the opportunities they would have plus the possibility to satisfy their yearning to own land, and the freedom to live and worship unhampered it was immediately decided to come to America. They did not obtain the promise of military exemption but were quite assured wars were not in the realm of possibility in our country so they were willing to take a chance on that.

Now that the decision had been made to come to America, what an excitement ran thru the villages. Words fail us in properly describing the imaginary scenes taking place in the preparation to move. It must have been a stupendous job getting everything ready for the long journey to the port of embarkation, then across the ocean which seemed especially dangerous to them. It happened that since they left in the late fall, the most of them had a particularly stormy voyage. Their processing at the immigration offices in New York, Baltimore, or wherever they arrived; the long train trip across half the continent to Kansas and from Newton to their final destination.

Here they came in the middle of winter to face the raw blizzards on the windswept prairies of Kansas where they were to build their new homes; under entirely new conditions on these treeless plains where there was no wood for fuel or building like they had been used to in their old home, they nevertheless went to work with courage and fortitude to establish themselves; they proceeded resourcefully to build houses of rock and sod, to dig wells and break up the sod to plant their crops.

However it was by no means easy. The Polish Mennonites were some of the poorest of the poor and if it had not been for the generous help of their eastern brethren in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana who helped them get a start, some of them might not have made the grade.

While their religious convictions against military service was perhaps the main reason in reaching the decision to leave their old homeland, no doubt their very poverty weighed heavily in the matter and they perhaps felt that at least their children would have better opportunities in the New World, and that they themselves could not worsen their own condition by coming here.

But, however one may assess their reasons one can't help but feel that Divine guidance was with them for they could not possibly have known that in a few generations the area they were leaving would be visited by the most terrible upheaval in history, namely the first World War followed by the tragic Bolshevik Revolution and that again by World War II.

In reading of the terrible fate which befell those who remained in Russia, Poland and Germany it staggers the imagination as to why such cruelty should be inflicted on a peace-loving group. However several factors contributed to the particular treatment which was meted out to them by the Soviet government: 1st. Thru previous agreements with the czarist government they were enjoying special privileges as to military exemption, plus the start they received in early colonization arrangements with Catherine II.

2nd. They were German and did not mix with the Russian population by intermarriage, had their own local government in their villages, schools and language. Thus in the mounting Russian nationalism this was looked upon with disfavor and suspicion.

3rd. They were industrious farmers and workers and naturally prospered, thereby coming to enjoy a higher standard of living than the surrounding Russian population, which caused envy.

4th. Their strong Christian faith also was a thorn in the atheistic and materialistic program of the Communists.

5th. Their ministers and teachers were considered the spiritual leaders of

their people and thus were the first ones to come under suspicion of the Soviets, and became the victims of the most inhuman treatment that diabolical minds could devise.

With cold-blooded and malicious intent they were systematically disrupted, dispossessed of all they had, families separated and sent to far-off Siberia and other places to slave labor camps, often the men to one place, the women to another and children to a different area. Many suffered a slow agonizing death in prison. Many starved to death because the famine which came upon the country was a direct result of this inhuman policy for the most enterprising, industrious and intelligent farmers were exiled where they could produce food neither for themselves or others.

Thus we see what we, who were no better, escaped by the narrow margin of just not being there! Do we deserve this good fortune? Then let us hold in honor those to whom we are so greatly indebted, and treasure the more our own form of government.

Let us not be remiss also in assessing the contribution they made to our country's greatness. They were not the type to seek fame and fortune but they were of the common ordinary type of whom Abraham Lincoln said "God must have loved them for he made so many of them." They not only made a great economic contribution but their freedom loving nature fitted in with our constitutional government. They strengthened and undergirded the laws and institutions in which our society believes and has put into action, such as freedom of religion, of speech and of conscience, communication and thought.

In order to estimate the nobility of their character we must remember that as heirs of the Anabaptist movement, theirs was a heritage of the persecuted. They were almost inured to suffering, accustomed to being uprooted, persecuted and banished, driven from place to place.

However, it can also be said with credit to the modern generations that they have risen nobly to the challenge and example of their forefathers. In lieu of military service many young people have given years of voluntary service as teachers in schools for under-privileged children, nurses and attendants in mental hospitals, as "guinea pigs" in research projects, in agricultural improvement programs in foreign lands, in building homes in war-devastated countries. Groups of men from the different churches of late have formed disaster units to hold themselves in readiness to go to places where tornado, fire, flood or other misfortunes have struck, giving aid in cleaning up and rebuilding of homes of the victims, providing food and medicines, clothing and bedding and shelter; all without a thought of remuneration, but given voluntarily "in the name of Christ." Almost everywhere they are found in the forefront of humanitarian work.

Among them are found numbers of educators, ministers, missionaries, doctors and nurses. In fact, to the voluntary workers has been given a great deal of credit in raising the standard of care in our state mental institutions and the mentally retarded.

But human nature being what it is, no doubt many descendants of our noble forebears may have forgotten or perhaps never learned to know who they were and what they did for us in making the historically important decision to come to these shores.

This then explains the purpose of my work and to whom it is dedicated. I feel it is the least we can do to leave a written record of our noble ancestors, giving as much information of them as could be found in written family and church

records, and reducing to written form such traditions as have been passed down to us by word of mouth.

I hope this record will be of value in some way and that its value will increase with the passing of time. We do not know what will be the problems of future generations and can only hope that what we do for them to the best of our knowledge and ability will some day be useful to them.

I wish to acknowledge herewith the help and encouragement I have received from many of the families in gathering data and information I requested; the encouragement that was given, the wellwishes and "God bless you's". Thanks to all of you. I also wish to express in fulsome measure the gratitude to each and everyone who sent me their family records, and for the confidence and trust they placed in me. After all, family records and vital statistics are a very intimate and private possession and no doubt some people might question the wisdom in divulging them.

I have compiled four separate family records, i.e., the records of both sets of my grandparents as follows:

Paternal Grandparents:

PETER ECK, Sr., son of HENRY ECK, who was a son of ZACHARIAS ECK.

His wife

AGANETHA UNRUH, daughter of DAVID UNRUH, son of GEORG UNRUH.

Maternal Grandparents:

ANDREAS SIEBERT, son of ABRAHAM SIEBERT, son of JACOB SIEBERT, son of ADRIAN SIEBERT.

His wife

LUVINA DECKER, daughter of ANDREAS DECKER, son of HANS DECKER, son of HANS DECKER, son of HANS DECKER.

The above named persons and their brothers and sisters I've called the PATRIARCH line who are designated by capital letters, A, B, C, etc.

The generations previous to them are given by names only.

The generations following them are designated by Roman numerals, Arabic numerals, Arabic in brackets, Arabic letters, Arabic double letters, etc.

I have tried to give as much information of each one as could be condensed in a few lines, such as name and religion, birthdate and marriage date, birthplace, deathdate or address.

In cases where religion in line of descendancy was not specifically known I have designated them Protestant, since that is our background. However in a few cases this may be incorrect for which I ask to be pardoned.

In a few special cases where information was furnished me, I have given the occupation, and/or educational background, military record, and accomplishments. I should like to have done this for each one but it would have prolonged the process of gathering data as well as the size of each book.

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Miss Ruby Penner, Fairview, Oklahoma do do
Mrs. Ruby Kennedy, Hooker, Oklahoma (Decker Record)
Mrs. Katie Nightingale, Cleo Spgs., Oklahoma (Eck Record)

May what we together have done rebound to His glory and Honor, by Whom we live and Whose we are. This is my wish and prayer.

Lydia Eck Cooper

Salt Lake City, Utah

In addition to the previously expressed sentiments I am submitting two short gems of thought which aid in expressing my feelings in paying tribute to our forebears more adequately.

THIS IS MY LEGACY.

Dear Editor:

My forefathers were extremely plain people, poor and humble, but I have received one very precious heritage from them. They have never given me a famous name, nor money, nor property, nor lovely heirlooms. I know almost nothing of them beyond my grandparents. Not even my childhood memories are very happy ones. And certainly no one has bequeathed me a beautiful face or figure.

What, then, is my legacy? Many years before I was born, my ancestors came to America and made their home in this beautiful land. That is my great heritage--just the chance to live here, and to bring up my children here, free men and women, where we still have a chance at life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is my greatest blessing, worth much more than gold or castles, and I am deeply grateful to my forefathers. -- A letter submitted to the Farm Journal by Mrs. Erwin Yancey, New York.

THE LOVE OF HOME.

It is only shallow-minded pretenders who either make distinguished origin a matter of personal merit or obscure origin a matter of personal reproach. Taunt and scoffing at the humble condition of early life affect nobody in America but those who are foolish enough to indulge in them, and they are generally sufficiently punished by public rebuke. A man who is not ashamed of himself need not be ashamed of his early condition.

It did not happen to me to be born in a log cabin; but my older brothers and sisters were born in a log cabin raised among the snowdrifts of New Hampshire at a period so early that when the smoke first rose from its rude chimney and curled over the frozen hills, there was no similar evidence of a white man's habitation between it and the settlements on the rivers of Canada.

Its remains still exist. I make it an annual visit. I carry my children to it, to teach them the hardships endured by the generations which have gone before them. I love to dwell on the tender recollections, the kindred ties, the early affections, and the touching narratives and incidents which mingle with all I know of this primitive abode.

I weep to think that none of those who inhabited it are now among the living; and if ever I am ashamed of it, or if ever I fail in affectionate veneration for him who reared it and defended it against violence and destruction, cherished all the domestic virtues beneath its roof and, through the fire and blood of a seven years Revolutionary War, shrank from no danger, no toil, no sacrifice to serve his country and to raise his children to a condition better than his own, may my name and the name of my posterity be blotted forever from the memory of mankind?

By DANIEL WEBSTER.

ORIGIN AND HISTORY

The SIEBERTS of our family also may have originated in Holland and came to live in the Vistula River valley by invitation of the Prussian and Polish nobility.

The oldest settlement made by Mennonites in this valley was Montau, West Prussia, founded 1527-'28. Here they built their first meeting house, or Prayer Chapel, as it was usually referred to, and in the records of this church which date from 1661 we find the name occurring as Sieffertz, Sieffert, Sievert, Siewert. Later when they became Germanized while living in Prussia it was generally spelled Siebert.

These Montau Church records have been micro-filmed and are found in the Historical and Genealogical Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints at Salt Lake City, Utah, and at the Bethel College Historical Library, North Newton, Kansas.

At the close of the 17th century when many Mennonites decided to emigrate to Russia our immediate forebears joined with a group who found they could lease the land of a Polish nobleman in or near Ostrog. Thus were founded the villages of Karolswalde, Karolsberg, Waldheim, Gruenthal and others. Others settled near Plock not far from Warsaw in the villages of Deutsch-Kasun and Deutsch-Wymischle.

We have strong evidence that Adrian Siewert may be our earliest known progenitor. This is illustrated in the diagram on the next page, and more fully described in the biography of the Reverend Abraham Siebert.

When in 1772 the part of Poland where our ancestors lived, was taken over by Prussia, that country's government took a census of the population and we find an Adrian Siewert registered as a resident of the village of Montauerweide. We think he is the father of Jacob Siewert, Sr., who had two sons, Jacob, Jr. and Abraham, progenitors of the two lines of SIEBERTS herewith recorded. In the year 1874 when the exodus of Mennonites occurred, our forefathers were living in the following villages: Karolswalde, Gruenthal and Waldheim, and Deutsch-Kasun and Deutsch-Wymischle in the province of Volhynia.

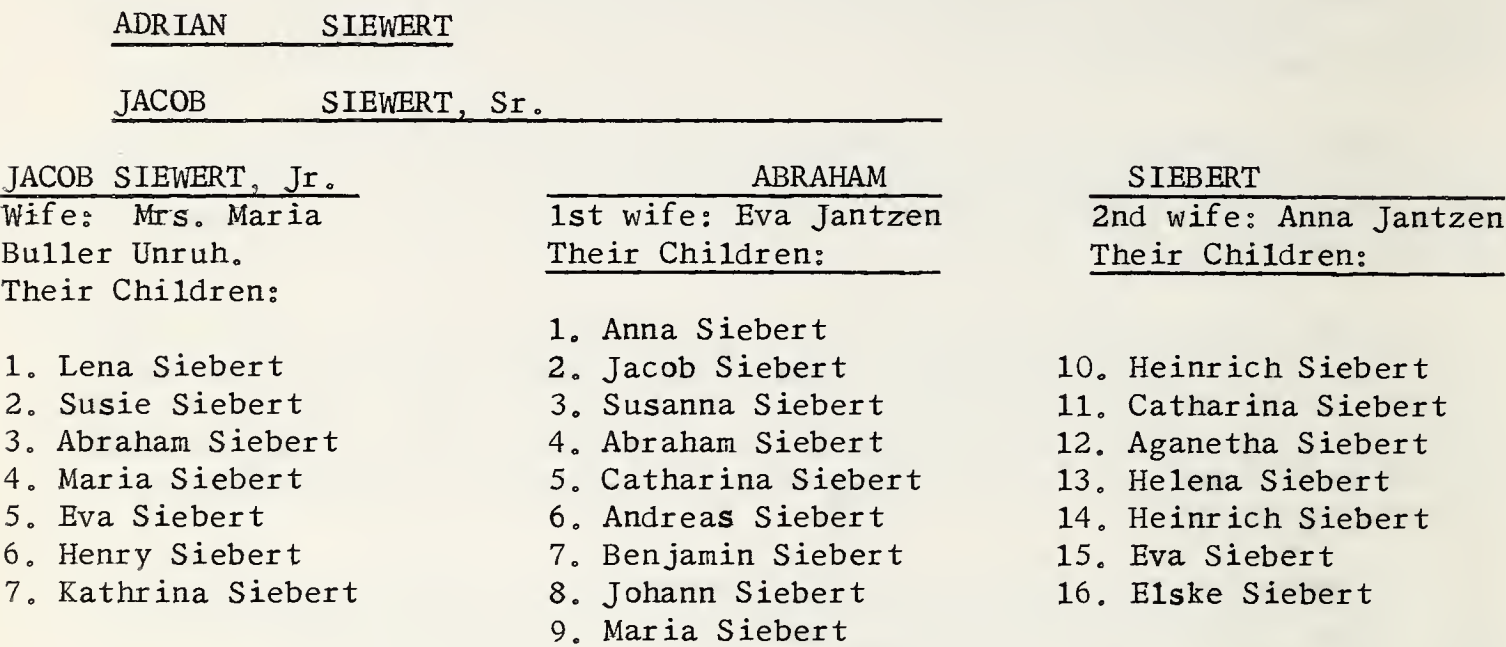
Our forefathers had the lovely custom of giving Bible names to their children but they fell into a rut of repeating the same category of names down the line from generation to generation; besides they often named a succeeding child in the family after one that had died in infancy. These facts contribute a great deal to the difficulty of tracing our genealogies, as one can easily get off the track by the many individuals having the same names.

However in our case, this very fact helps to strengthen the probability that Adrian is our progenitor since he was the only one having this rather odd name. This may seem a bit in the realm of speculation, but we also have tangible evidence which leads us to assume this. One is the small secretary kit on which is carved his name, "Adrian Siewert," on one side and on the other side, the date, "1730." This writer's kit was passed down from father to son each generation, landing in the possession of Rev. Abraham Siebert. He used it on his writing tours in Poland as his ancestors had done before him.

There is also a larger chest, about 2 ft. by 12 by 15 in. in size in which he deposited the money, documents and valuables, when, as the leader of a group of Mennonites he was taking them to America. Both of these articles, as well as others, are at present in the possession of his daughter, Mrs. Martha Moffett Marshall, 602 Jennings, Petoskey, Michigan.

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Below is a diagram of the SIEBERT ancestry as we have figured it out and traced it back.



On the following page is a copy of the birth, baptism and marriage book of our progenitor, Abraham Siebert, translated from the German. It is a good example of the way our forefathers kept family records.

Following that are the translated copies of the three documents which our patriarch, Andreas Siebert, and others, had to have to leave Poland, which at that time was a vassal state of Russia.

KAROLSWALDE NEAR THE COUNTY TOWN OSTROG IN RUSSIAN PROVINCE VOLHYNIA

The number of the son, Siebert of Abraham, the son of Jacob in the new church book, revised by the teacher Heinrich Block from Karolswalde on March 17, 1860, is 41 and 37.

"Let all things be done decently and in order" 1 Cor. XIV, 40.

I, Abraham Siebert, was born in Deutsch-Wymischle in Poland on the 16th of February, 1799. On January 4, 1824, I was baptized in the chapel here in Karolswalde by the kindly Elder Benjamin Dircks. At that time I was 24 years, 10 months and 16 days old. On November 18, 1824, I, Abraham Siebert, married Eva, daughter of Cornelius Jantzen, No. 85 and 70, in the chapel of Karolswalde. We entered upon wedlock on a Thursday, which was under the sign of the day Star, Scorpion, and of the month star Pisces.

My lovely wife, Eva, daughter of Cornelius Jantzen, was born here in Karolswalde on the 16th of August, 1806, at 7 P.M. She was baptized in the chapel of Karolswalde on Wednesday, October 1, 1823, by the friendly Elder Benjamin Dircks. At that time she was 17 years, 1 month and 16 days old. When we married I was 25 years and 9 months old and she was 18 years, 3 months and 3 days old. Therefore I was 7 years, 5 months and 27 days older than my lovely wife. The Lord has given us during our wedlock the following children:

- A. 1. On Sunday, April 23, 1826, at 6 a.m. our daughter ANNA was born. The sign of the day star was Scorpion and the month star, Taurus.
- B. 2. On Tuesday, November 27, 1827, at 10:45 p.m., our son JACOB was born. The sign of the day star was Scorpion and the month star Sagittarius.
On Friday, August 1, 1828, at 6 a.m. our lovely daughter ANNA died. She lived in this world for 2 years, 3 months and 7 days.
- C. 3. On Friday, December 18, 1829, at 2:30 p.m. our daughter SUSANNA was born. The sign of the day star was Virgo and of the month star, Sagittarius.
- D. 4. On Sunday, December 18, 1831, at 6 a.m. our son ABRAHAM was born. The sign of the day star was Cancer and of the month star, Virgo at the 14th day of the new moon.
- E. 5. On Wednesday, February 22, 1832, at 2 a.m. our daughter CATHARINA was born. In the same year on Sunday, November 25, at 8 p.m. she died. She lived for nine months and 18 hours.
- F. 6. On Wednesday, October 29, 1834, at 6 a.m. our son ANDREAS was born. The sign of the day star was Libra and of the month Scorpion.
- G. 7. On Saturday, April 1, 1837, at 7 a.m. our son BENJAMIN was born. The sign of the day star was Pisces, and of the month star Aries, at the 26th day of the new moon.
- H. 8. On Monday, May 13, 1839, at 8 a.m. our son JOHANN was born and died in the same year on Monday, July 8, at 8 a.m. Our lovely son lived on this earth for 1 month and 26 days. The merciful God take these three children into his beautiful Kingdom, which is what I, as father, wish to them wholeheartedly.

- I. 9. On Friday, October 15, 1841, at 7 P.M., our daughter MARIA was born at Karolswalde. The sign of the day star was Scorpion and of the month star Aries, at the 30th day of the new moon.

On Saturday, March 11, 1843, at 9 A.M., my dear wife died of a painful tabefaction (consumption) after three weeks lying ill in bed. My dear wife has lived for 36 years, 6 months, 25 days and 14 hours on this earth. We lived together in harmonious wedlock for 18 years, 3 months and 23 days, and had nine children, 4 daughters and 5 sons.

After three months and 8 days of widowerhood, on Sunday, June 18, 1843, I, Abraham Siebert, have married again at the chapel of Karolswalde, the circumspect and virtuous woman, ANNA JANTZEN, from No. 4 and 3, daughter of the deceased neighbor, Heinrich Jantzen. The sign of the day star was Pisces and the month star Gemini, on the 21st day of the new moon. The day had also a good token especially for the letting of blood.

On Thursday, April 26, 1821, at 3 A.M., my present dear wife, ANNA, was born in Karolswalde, a daughter of Heinrich Jantzen. The sign of the day star was Aquarius and of the month star Taurus, on the 24th day of the new moon which had a good token, especially for the letting of blood.

On our and on Russian Whitsunday, the 3rd of June, 1838, my dear wife was baptized in the chapel of Karolswalde by the kindly Elder Benjamin Dircks. At that time she was at the age of 17 years, 1 month and 7 days. When we married I was 44 years, and 4 months old; she was 22 years, 1 month, and 22 days old. Therefore I am 22 years, 2 months and 8 days older than she. And our Lord has given us children as listed in this book.

- J. 10. On Monday, June 10, 1844, at 9 A.M. our son HEINRICH was born. The sign of the day star was Aries and of the month star Gemini, on the 25th day of the new moon which had also a good token especially for letting of blood.

- K. 11. On Friday, March 19, 1847, at 7 P.M. our daughter CATHARINA was born. The sign of the day star was Taurus and of the month star Aries. The day was the third of the new moon.

On Thursday, February 24, 1848, at 7 P.M. our son HEINRICH died of a tumor and small-pox, lying ill in bed for a long time. He has lived upon this earth for 3 years, 8 months and 14 days and 10 hours. Thru the love of Jesus Christ the Almighty God may he be taken into His Eternal Kingdom, which is what we, his parents wish him wholeheartedly.

- L. 12. On Sunday, August 26, 1849, at 12:30 P.M. our daughter AGANETHA was born. The sign of the day star was Scorpion, and of the month star Virgo, the 9th day of the new moon.

- M. 13. On Friday, May 14, 1852, at 7:30 P.M. our daughter HELENA was born. The sign of the day star was Pisces and of the month Taurus. The day was the 26 of the new moon and a good sign for bloodletting.

- N. 14. On Monday, January 15, 1855, at 4 A.M. another son was born whom we have named again HEINRICH. The day star and month star were both Capricorn.

On Monday, March 19, 1855, at 4 A.M. our dear son HEINRICH died of a tumor. He lived on this earth for 2 months, 4 days and 20 hours. Thru the love of Jesus Christ and the Almighty God may he be taken into His

Eternal Kingdom, which we, his parents, wish him.

- O. 15. On Saturday, March 29, 1856, at 5 A.M., our daughter EVA was born. The sign of the day star was Aquarius and of the month star Aries. The day was the 23 of the new moon and had a good token for the letting of blood.
- P. 16. On Sunday, March 11, 1860, at 9:30 A.M., our daughter ELSKE was born. The sign of the day star was Scorpion and the month star Pisces, on the 19th day of the new moon.

On Wednesday December 3, 1862, at 12:30 A.M., our daughter ELSKE died of a cough with fever after lying ill for 2 days in bed. She lived on this earth for 2 years, 8 months, 22 days and 15 hours. Thru the love of Jesus Christ and the Almighty God, may she be taken into His Eternal Kingdom, which we, her parents, wish her wholeheartedly.

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On Wednesday, May 28, 1869, (Russian style) at 7 A.M., Abraham Siebert died of a tabefaction, an illness of several years duration. He has lived a laborious life of 70 years, 3 months, 3 weeks and 2 days plus 22 hours and 30 minutes.

What is life on this earth? Its strength is labour and sorrow. The Lord will reward us if we live this life in a wholesome way. Lord, take his and our souls some day into your delightful heaven.

THE SURVIVORS

NOTE:

The deceased, Abraham Siebert, as said on the other side, has had a second wife. With his first wife he as lived together for 18 years, 3 months and 23 days. And he had nine children together with her, three of whom died earlier than the mother and four are still living. With his second wife, who is still living, he has lived together 25 years, 11 months, 3 weeks and 1 day and has had seven children together with her, three of which died earlier than the father and four are still living.

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On May 10th, 1878, at 3 P.M., the widow, Anna Siebert, died of a pulmonary disease. She has been ill in bed for 6 weeks. She has lived a laborious life for 57 years, 14 days and 12 hours. She lived together with her husband, who died previously, for 25 years, 11 months and 13 days. Four daughters outlived her, three of whom are already married and the youngest, Eva, is still a virgin.

What is our life on this earth? Its strength is labour and sorrow. The Lord will reward us for this if we live a proper life and try to find eternal bliss. Lord, take her and our souls into your heavenly Kingdom that we may meet together one day in glory and Holy Eternity. May this be granted to all of us thru Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, Amen.

The SURVIVING CHILDREN

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These are the three documents Grandfather Andreas Siebert had to have before he could leave Russia and come to America.

Imperial Seal of Russia reading:
"Price 40 Kop. in silver #--40
Kopecks in silver. (All legal
documents in Russia of old had to

CERTIFICATE.

be written on paper with Seal,
sold by the Government for a
price which constituted the Fed-
eral taxes.) (Translation)

This is given by the Administration of Volhynia Gubernia, that in accordance with its resolution of the 28th of August, 1874, the Colonist ** Mennonite ANDREAS ABRAMOW SIEBERT, stemming from foreign citizens, is freed, with his family, from allegiance to Russia, for the purpose:

Migration to a foreign country.

The family of Siebert, according to presented information, is as follows:

His wife: Luvatina (this name in Russian is distorted into something like 'Yufentina'. Trans.)

The sons: Benjamin, Abraham, the Twins Jacob and Heinrich, Andreas and Johann.

The daughters: Julia, Anna, Susanna, and Aganetha, in attestation of which, and for the purpose of unrestricted departure of SIEBERT with family from the Russian Empire.

This Certificate is given with signature and affixed Seal of State, under the condition that, if SIEBERT within the course of one year will not leave Russia, or does not apply for a national passport entitling him to free habitation in Russia, he again will be listed here as being in the status of a citizen.

The 5th day of September 1874.

Counceler: (signed) Shmedew

No. 7637

Seal reading:

Actuary: (signature not readable)

"Of the Gubernia
Administration of
Volhynia."

(Translated March 8, 1952, from the original document
printed and written in the Russian language.)

(Kopeck, a Russian coin
worth a half cent in
American money).

Imperial seal of Russia
reading: (All legal docu-
ments in Russia of old had
to be written, on paper with
seal, sold by the government
for a price which constitu-
ted the Federal taxes. Trans.)
"Price 20 Kopecks."

BIRTH * BAPTISM * AND MARRIAGE * CERTIFICATE

The owners of this (are the) Mennonite married couple (registered) in the local list of the last Census under No. 37 at Karolswalde, named:

ANDREAS, son of ABRAHAM, SIEBERT, and his

wife, LUVATINA, daughter of ANDREAS DECKERT. They were born--he, 1834, October 29th. She, 1839, February 25th. They were baptized -- he, 1852 the 4th of April by the late Elder Benjamin Dirks at Karolswalde. She 1854 the 5th of July by the undersigned Elder at Karolswalde.

They were married 1857 the 8th of November.

Their children were born:

Benjamin	1864 June 28	Johann	1873 Apr. 2
Abraham	1866 Jan. 21	Julia	1860 Mar. 23
Jacob	1868 Jan. 2	Anna	1861 Aug. 7
Heinrich	1868 Jan. 2	Susanna	1862 Oct. 22
Andreas	1870 Feb. 25	Aganetha	1871 Oct. 1

Which is attested to and certified by the signature of the local church Elder, and the affixation of the Church Seal.

Executed at Karolswalde in the District Ostrog, Gubernia Volhynia, Russia, on the 9th day of October, 1874.

Seal of the Church,
reading: "Church Seal
of the Mennonite Congre-
gation in Volhynia near
Ostrog."

Signature: Tobias Unruh

Church Elder of the
Mennonite Congregation in
Karolswalde, District Ostrog.

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Note: (In all three of these documents Grandmother's name is written in wrong. Her name was Luvina. She had a sister Luvantina, Mrs. Tobias Schmidt).

CONGREGATIONAL CERTIFICATE

To all our Church Elders, teachers, and ministers, together with all other members of the Mennonite Congregations of America wheresoever this might be shown, we herewith wish from our hearts much Grace, Peace, Salvation and Blessings from God, the Father, thru Jesus Christ. Amen.

Whereas, due to the threatening danger of being drawn in for service in the Militia in Russia, in which to assist our conscience does not permit, the presenting of this Certificate, (the) married couple named ANDREAS, son of ABRAHAM SIEBERT, and his wife LUVANTINE, daughter of ANDREAS DECKERT, with ten children under age, the oldest of which counts 14 years, - decided to emigrate to America, and for this reason have asked to be given the Congregational Certificate to Certify their heretofore behavior, confession, etc., I, the undersigned, most willingly am fulfilling this wish, and am giving this in the name of the whole Congregation; wherewith it is testified and declared, that their way of life up to now in this Congregation was morally irreproachable and blameless, and that for this reason it would be desirable that, when they apply and express their desire, they would be given acceptance as valid members of the Congregation, and that they would be permitted to share material, and especially spiritual ministry, gifts and benefits of the Lord; and that also in the future in the Congregation into which they would be accepted they would lead an honorable way of life, pleasant to God and the Congregation.

God, our all-merciful Father, grant to them and to us all His Grace, that we might more and more be united in one spirit, and that through the graceful guidance of his Holy Spirit we might be led through without harm into eternal life, with which sincere wish this Certificate, with my signature, and Seal of

the local church certificate, testifies to the above, and as a sign of true Christian love and with greetings of Peace as a co-worker in the vineyard of the Lord.

Sincerely,

Given in the Colony

(signed) Tobias Unruh

Karolswalde

Church Elder of the Mennonite
Congregation at Karolswalde,
District Ostrog, Gubernia
(state) Volhynia, Russia.

on the 9th of October 1874.

Seal of the Church, reading: "Church-seal of the Mennonite Congregation in Volhinien, at Ostrog."

ANDREW SIEBERT FAMILY RECORD

In the year of our Lord, 1834, the 29th of October, (new style) at 6 o'clock in the morning, I, ANDREAS SIEBERT, was born in Karolswalde, when on Wednesday the sign of the planet of the day was Libra, and that of the planet of the month was Scorpion, but sign of the planet of the year was Mars, in the new moon the 28th day, which day had other good signs, especially for blood letting.

In the year of Christ, 1852, the 4th day of April, (new style) on Palm Sunday, I, Andreas Siebert, was baptized by the dearly beloved (the original uses the rather unusual German word, "liebgeuegsam") Elder, Uncle Benjamin Dircks in the meeting house here in Karolswalde. I was at that time 17 years, 5 months, and 6 days old.

In the year of Christ, 1857, the 8th of November, (new style) I, Andreas Siebert gave myself into wedlock with the honorable and virtuous virgin, LUVANTINE DECKER from No. 47 and 42, (Designation of the settlement in which the wife was born. Translation.) daughter of the honorable neighbor Andreas Decker of Karolsberge; namely: (the wedding took place) on Sunday. The sign of the planet of the day was Capricorn, that of the planet of the month was Scorpion, but that of the planet of the year was Venus.

In the year of Christ, 1839, the 25th of February, (new style) at 5 o'clock evening, my dearly beloved wife, LUVANTINE DECKER was born at Karolswalde; namely, when on Monday the sign of the planet of the day was Capricorn, the sign of the planet of the month was Pisces, but the sign of the planet of the year was Sun, on the 12th day of the new Moon, which day also has another very good sign, especially for blood letting.

In the year 1854, the 5th of June, (new style) on the Holy Mid-Pentecost day (Pentecost was a 3-day festival, the days being 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Pentecost Day,) my dearly beloved wife was baptized by the friendly and beloved Elder, Tobias Unruh in the meeting house in Karolswalde. Her age at that time was 15 years, 3 months, and 8 days. And at the time we two were married I was 23 years, 8 months, and 11 days old; thus I am 4 years, 3 months, and 29 days older than my dear wife.

The Lord bestowed upon us in our wedlock children which subsequently are to be registered in this book.

1st.

In the year of our Lord, 1858, the 24th of December, (new style) at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, my daughter HELENA was born; namely, on Friday when the sign of the planet of the day was Aries, the sign of the planet of the month was Capricorn, and the sign of the planet of the year was Mercurius, on the 19th day of the new Moon, in Karolswalde.

In the year of Christ 1860, the 17th of January, (new style) at 12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, our very dearly beloved little daughter named HELENA died of a painful sickness (in German the sickness is called Pothatsche Krankheit. Trans.) This dearly beloved small daughter has been in this world one year, 24 days, less one hour. The all-merciful God would take her soul thru our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ into His heavenly kingdom of joy, which we parents wish for her from our hearts and without grudge.

The married couple Andreas Siebert

2nd.

In the year of our Lord, 1860, the 23rd of March, (new style) at 2 o'clock in the morning to us a daughter Juli was born, namely: on Friday when the sign of the planet of the day was Aries, and the sign of the planet of the month was also Aries, on the 31st day of the new moon.

3rd.

In the year of our Lord, 1861, the 7th of August, (new style) at 10:30 A.M. a daughter ANNA was born to us; namely: on Wednesday, when the sign of the planet of the day was Pisces, and the sign of the planet of the month was Leo, but the sign of the planet of the year was Sun, the 2nd day of the new moon.

4th.

In the year of our Lord, 1862, the 22nd of October, (new style) at 6:30 evening a daughter Susanna was born to us, namely: on Wednesday, when the sign of the planet of the day was Libra, and the sign of the planet of the month was also Libra, but the sign of the planet of the year was Mars, in the new moon the 29th day.

5th.

In the year of our Lord, 1864, the 28th of June at half past 1 o'clock A.M. a son named Benjamin was born to us, namely: on Tuesday, when the sign of the planet was Libra, and the sign of the month's planet was Scorpion. Son registered in the church book.

6th.

In the year of our Lord, 1866, the 21st of January, (new style) at 6 o'clock in the morning, a son ABRAHAM was born to us, namely: on Sunday, when the sign of the planet of the day was Virgo, the sign of the month's planet was Capricorn, in the 5th day of the new moon.

7th and 8th.

In the year of our Lord, 1868, the 2nd of January, (new style) at 3:30 in the morning a son Jacob was born to us. 2nd HEINRICH was born at 11:30 before noon. Hence these two children were born as twins in one day, namely on Thursday, when the sign of the planet of the day was Aries, and the sign of the month's planet was Libra.

9th.

In the year of our Lord, 1870, the 25th of February, (old style) at 9 o'clock in the morning a son named ANDREAS was born to us, namely: when the sign of the day's planet was Gemini.

10th.

1871, the 1st of October, (old style) at 11 o'clock daytime, to us, Andreas Siebert at Gruenthal, a daughter was born which we named AGANETHA. The sign of the planet of the day is Virgo, and the sign of the month's planet is Scorpion.

11th.

In the year 1873 after Christ, a son was born at 1:30 in the afternoon,

named JOHANN, the 2nd of April. The year's planet was Sun, the month's planet was Aries, and the day's planet Libra. (old style).

In the year 1875, the 2nd of March, our son Heinrich died at 7 o'clock in the evening. He had been 7 years, 1 month, and 17 hours (of age). He was buried in Pawnee Rock in Kansas, Barton County. The Lord take him into His Kingdom of Joy.

12th.

In the year 1876, the 8th of April, early in the morning at 2, on Saturday, a son, FRIEDRICH, was born to us.

13th.

In the year 1878, the 24th day of May, at 4:30 in the evening, on Tuesday, a daughter was born, named JOSEPHINE.

14th.

In the year 1880, the 18th of August, namely: on Wednesday, at 2 in the morning, a daughter Mathilda (TILDA) was born to us in Pawnee Rock, Barton Co., Kansas.

15th.

In the year 1884, my little sister, SARRIE SIEBERT, her birthday is July 2nd.

(This record was translated from the original family record written in the German language. Date of translation March 8, 1952.)

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CALENDAR CHANGE.

An explanation needs to be inserted here about the change of the calendar that took place while our forefathers lived in the old homeland.

The Julian calendar was used by Christians until the fall of the Roman Empire.

Pope Gregory XIII abolished it and introduced the reformed Gregorian Calendar in all Catholic countries. Accordingly, 10 days were added in 1582 when October 5th, according to the old calendar, was reckoned October 15, 1582, every 4th year being a Leap Year. It was adopted by France, Spain & Portugal in 1582; Switzerland and Holland 1583; Poland 1586, Hungary 1587, England 1752, Russia 1902, the latter being one of the last ones to adopt it.

This explains the phrase often seen in family records of our people, "New style", meaning the new Gregorian calendar, or "Old style or Russian style", meaning the old Julian calendar.

It caused some confusion in records and accounts for the difference in some birth, marriage and death dates submitted.

ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT
1799 - 1869.

This genealogy starts with ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT, who is the earliest known progenitor of whom we have an accurate record. Aside from the very excellent family record reproduced on a previous page, we have scant knowledge of our illustrious ancestor except what we can deduct from the record itself.

As will be seen by the record, he reared a very large family of sixteen children. Some died in infancy and early childhood and some children by his first wife remained in Russia, much to their great sorrow later.

His second wife, Mrs. Anna Jantzen Siebert, survived him and came with her four surviving daughters, Catharina, Aganetha, Helena and Eva to America in 1874. She settled with the colony at Dundee and lived there until her death, and no doubt is buried in the pioneer cemetery there.

Our Grandfather, Andreas Siebert, was the only one of his father's children by his first wife, to come to this country. The others all remained in Poland and some later moved into the Russian interior. We remember him receiving poignant letters from some of his relatives, pleading for help urgently to relieve their needy condition, and Grandfather together with his children and relatives collecting money to send to them in Russia. They were poor even before the first World War, but became impoverished to the point of starvation after the war and the following revolution. No doubt many of them never lived thru it.

Since the family records of those who remained behind were not available except in a few sketchy instances, I have therefore included some of the letters received from them later and from which we can gain an insight as to their plight. However, we must remember when reading them, that they could not describe to us the worst features of their condition for fear of governmental censure with possible dire results of punishment, but we can read between the lines and understand how badly they longed to be here with us.

As will be seen by the record, Abraham Siebert died some few years before the exodus to America took place. Undoubtedly he passed away in peace, not having an inkling that some of his children and many of his friends and relatives would cross the ocean to make their homes in the far-off New World.

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1st wife: EVA C. JANTZEN
ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT and
2nd wife: ANNA H. JANTZEN

FAMILY INDEX

Name and to whom married.	Birthdate	Birthplace	Deathdate
A. ANNA A. SIEBERT	23 Apr. 1826		1 Aug. 1828
B. JACOB A. SIEBERT Maria. . . . ?	27 Nov. 1827		. . . . .
C. SUSANNA A. SIEBERT	18 Dec. 1829		. . . . .
D. ABRAHAM SIEBERT, Jr.	18 Dec. 1831		. . . . .

Name and to whom married.	Birthdate	Birthplace	Deathdate
E. CATHARINE SIEBERT	22 Feb. 1832		25 Nov. 1832
F. ANDREAS A. SIEBERT LUVINA DECKER	29 Oct. 1834		12 Mar. 1915
G. BENJAMIN A. SIEBERT KATHARINA VOTH	1 Apr. 1837		Jan. 1915
H. JOHANN A. SIEBERT	13 May 1839		8 Jul. 1839
I. MARIA SIEBERT	15 Oct. 1841		. . . . .

CHILDREN FROM 2nd wife, ANNA JANTZEN.

J. HEINRICH A. SIEBERT	10 Jun. 1844		24 Feb. 1848
K. CATHARINA SIEBERT Benjamin Schmidt	19 Mar. 1847		. . . . .
L. AGANETHA SIEBERT ABRAHAM DIRKS	26 Aug. 1849		29 Jul. 1916
M. HELENA SIEBERT JACOB KOEHN	14 May 1862		. . . . .
N. HEINRICH A. SIEBERT	15 Jan. 1855		19 Mar. 1855
O. EVA SIEBERT DANIEL B. UNRUH	29 Mar. 1856		6 Feb. 1933
P. ELSKE SIEBERT	11 Mar. 1860		3 Dec. 1862

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Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT Mennonite	16 Feb. 1799 18 Nov. 1824 to	Russian Poland	28 May 1869
1st: EVA C. JANTZEN Parents: Cornelius Jantzen and	16 Aug. 1806	Karolswald, Russia	11 Mar. 1843
A. ANNA A. SIEBERT	23 Apr. 1826	Karolswald, Russia	1 Aug. 1828
B. JACOB A. SIEBERT Mennonite Maria	27 Nov. 1827 to	do do	. . . . .

In a letter received only 12 years after Grandfather Andrew came to America, and fortunately preserved, Jacob gives a good description of his family and circumstances, and significantly mentions of their plans going awry about moving away from the "Karolswalder Skaske." This may indicate they still lived in Poland.

"Dear Brother:

Your precious letter of March 10, inst. was duly received and it made us very happy to learn that you and family are all well and active. As far as concerns our family we also enjoy the best of health and hope this writing will find you the same.

In regard to us moving out of the Karols=Walder Skaske, I must report that all my correspondence and concern has been without result; when it will come about I have no idea. Right now we are all supposed to get registered. On our sisters and brothers I cannot report at this time. I wrote to them in the Molotschna but received no answer; we have not had visitors for sometime either.

As to our own family, I can report that Wilhelm, our oldest son, and Andreas, age 23, both live in our colony. To Andreas was born his first child May 27 at 3 P.M., and was named Benjamin Rudolph. Our second son, Heinrich, lives in Canon--25 wersts distant from here.

Benjamin is in forestry service in the timber settlements of the Radzschiner Forest in the steppes, 500 wersts from here. Daughter Eva with her husband, Wilhelm Lening, lives in Starysk of Kiev. The two smallest ones, Eduard 10, and Susanna 8, are at home.

This is our immediate family circle and all are well and extend to you sincerest wishes."

Then he writes a lot of the imminent millenium which he sees approaching and his religious interpretation, which I will omit, and closes with this paragraph:

"May the Lord Jesus help us all to stand fast in these last troublous days so that we may heroically triumph in this difficult struggle, so we will have the privilege to live and rule with Him in the New Earth and wear a crown of victory. Here is our battleground, yonder the crown. Whoever has not fought the good fight will not wear the crown of life. May this thought be ever in our memory. I will now close my writing with fervent expressions of brotherly love, remembering you to my last breath. Also please give our best regards to Jakob and Helene Koehn and David and Eva Schmidt."

In love remaining,

(signed) Jacob and Maria Siebert
Address: Staroja Hufte

Dated: 21 June-July 3, 1886.

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
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Children of Jacob and Maria Siebert continued:

I. WILHELM SIEBERT

II. HEINRICH SIEBERT

III. BENJAMIN SIEBERT

IV. ANDREAS SIEBERT Mennonite (Wife's name unknown)	born 1863	Russia	
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Child

1. Benjamin Rudolph Siebert	27 May 1886	Staroja Hufte, Russia.	
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V. EVA SIEBERT, married to
WILHELM LENING

VI. EDUARD SIEBERT . . .1876

VII. SUSANNA SIEBERT . . .1878

C. SUSANNA A. SIEBERT	18 Dec. 1829	(Fate unknown)	
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D. ABRAHAM A. SIEBERT	18 Dec. 1831	(Fate unknown)	
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E. CATHARINA A. SIEBERT	22 Feb. 1832		25 Nov. 1832
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Now we come to our grandfather, Andrew Siebert, who came to the United States with the mass migration of Mennonites in 1874, settling at Dundee, Kansas. The family spent the first winter in freight box cars of the Santa Fe Railroad which was instrumental in bringing our people here. He next bought a farm in Rush County but on account of arid conditions he sold and moved to Marion County.

He was a sterling character, Christian in all his dealings with everyone, a quiet hard-working man greatly respected in the community; ready to help everyone, especially his children and kinsfolk. He had a part as a stone mason in building the stone church at Dundee, and left a well-improved farm of 160 acres in Marion County, where he lived until his death. He is buried in the Mennonite cemetery at the Columbia School in Marion County, Kansas.

Grandmother Luvina was an excellent midwife and the community's demands for her services kept her away from home much of the time. Many of our generation owe our first breath of life to her ministrations. She outlived Grandfather a few years, had to sell the farm and went to live with her daughter, Mrs. Susie Voth, where she passed away. She is buried in the Mennonite cemetery at Pawnee Rock, Kansas.

They both attended church as long as they were able and passed away loving their Creator, Master and Redeemer.

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
F. ANDREAS SIEBERT, Sr. Mennonite LUVINA DECKER Parents: Andreas Decker and Helena Schultzen.	29 Oct. 1834 8 Nov. 1857 to 25 Feb. 1839	Karolswalde, Russ. do do	12 Mar. 1915 31 Mar. 1919
I. HELENA A. SIEBERT	24 Dec. 1858	Karolswalde, do	17 Jan. 1860
II. JULIANA A. SIEBERT Mennonite PETER H. UNRUH Parents: Heinrich P. Unruh and Anna Unruh.	23 Mar. 1860 12 May 1880 to 4 Jun. 1855	do Russian Poland	18 Jul. 1899 3 Aug. 1928
1. Andreas Unruh	30 Mar. 1881	Kansas	1 Jun. 1881
2. Abram Unruh Mennonite Kathrine Schroeder Parents: Henry H. Schroeder and Helena Richert.	29 Jun. 1882 31 May 1907 to 6 July 1884	do	29 July 1944 6 July 1935
(1) Orlando Unruh Mennonite	12 Mar. 1908	Marion Co., Kans.	
(2) Dora Unruh Mennonite, baptized by Rev. P. P. Wedel	11 Feb. 1913	do do	
3. Isaac Unruh Protestant Leona Houser Parents: John Houser and Rachel Payne.	18 Feb. 1884 31 Oct. 1909 to 3 Nov. 1885	Newton, Kan. Kansas City 8, Mo. Kans. City, Mo.	1650 Jefferson St. 19 Jan. 1937
(1) Dorothy Shelton Protestant (Unruh) Milton Schmidt Parents: John H. D. Schmidt and Helen Boese.	16 Apr. 1914 22 Jun. 1942 to 28 Nov. 1909	(Adopted Oct. 1914) 2580 S. Decatur St. Medora, Kans.	Denver, Colo.
4. Jacob P. Unruh Mennonite Mrs. Mary Alsop Franz Parents:	25 June 1890 to	Marion Co., Kans.	28 July 1952
(1) Paulyne Unruh Protestant Godfrey Keller	7 Mar. 1919 1 Aug. 1935 to 25 Aug. 1907	Buhler, Kans. So. Fan Francisco, Cal. Russia	Mrs. Paulyne Emerson 465 - 3rd Lane or Box 414
a. Robert Duane Keller	27 July 1939	Newton, Kansas	
5. Edward P. Unruh Mennonite Agnes Duerksen Parents: Gerhard J. Duerksen and Maria Woelk.	18 Dec. 1896 16 May 1929 to 22 Nov. 1899	Marion Co., Kan. Sunnyslope, Ariz. Marion Co., Kan.	1030 N. 10th St.
(1) Nina Unruh	11 June 1930		
(2) Golda Unruh	8 May 1933		

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
III. ANNA A. SIEBERT Mennonite 1st: PETER WEDEL Parents:	7 Aug. 1861 1880	Karolwsalde, Russ. to	1 June 1932 July 1886
1. John Wedel Protestant Cora Campbell Parents: William Campbell and Sarah E. Cornwall.	3 Feb. 1881 10 Oct. 1906 24 Sep. 1875	to	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Rt. 1
2. Elizabeth Wedel Mennonite Ben G. Unruh Parents: Henry Unruh and Annie Koehn.	23 May 1884 9 Sep. 1874	to Dundee, Kan.	2 Apr. 1957 16981 Cypress Wy., Los Gatos, Cal.
(1) William Unruh Protestant Irone Morgan Parents:	25 Sep. 1905 7 Dec. 1935	Great Bend, Kan. to	2939 Freedom Bvd., Watsonville, Cal.
a. Michael L. Unruh	31 Mar. 1945	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) Vernon Unruh Is steward on Lureline,	15 Sep. 1906	Great Bend, Kan.	
(3) Anna Laura Unruh	27 Sep. 1908	do do	
(4) Bennie Unruh Protestant Phyllis Johnson Parents:	27 Mar. 1911	do do to	Hotel Broadmoor, 1499 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal.
(5) Archie Unruh Protestant Ada Coburn Parents:	3 Dec. 1913 6 Dec. 1941	Great Band, Kan to	1485 Waller St., San Francisco, Cal.
(6) Cecil Unruh	22 Jan. 1916	Great Bend, Kan.	
(7) Lawrence Unruh Lutheran Doris Berg Parents: Anton C. Berg and Sarah Evenson.	13 Sep. 1920 11 Feb. 1944 15 Mar. 1920	do do to Starbuck, Minn.	16230 Camino Del Sol Los Gatos, Cal.
a. William Jas. Unruh	23 Mar. 1951	Gilroy, Cal.	
3. Susie Wedel		Great Bend, Kan.	1901
4. Minnie Wedel Protestant James Donley Parents: James Donley, Sr. and Martha Jones.	5 Jan. 1886 5 Feb. 1908 4 Oct. 1884	Great Bend, Kan. to Nebraska	2472 Lakeview Av., Los Angeles, Cal.

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
(1) Grace Donley Protestant John Whitfield Parents: Robert Whitfield and Charlotta Turnbull.	31 Oct. 1908 26 Dec. 1931 31 May 1901	Great Bend, Kan. to Scotland	
a. Theodore J. Whitfield	23 Dec. 1932	Los Angeles, Cal.	
(2) James Wedel Donley	6 June 1911	Amarillo, Tex.	2 Oct. 1948
MRS. ANNA SIEBERT WEDEL 2nd: JACOB H. WEDEL Parents:	5 Oct. 1890 5 Nov. 1859	in 2nd marriage to Russian Poland	12 Dec. 1928
5. Noah Wedel Protestant Flossie Musheney Baptist: Parents: Louis P. Mushaney and Ellen Cline.	20 Nov. 1891 28 Nov. 1896	Great Bend, Kan. to Virgil City, Mo.	3 Nov. 1951
(1) Nadine Wedel Baptist 1st: J. D. Dailey, Jr. Parents:	20 Oct. 1915	Barton Co., Kan., 13581 Libby Lane, to Garden Grove, Cal. (Divorced)	
a. Constance I. Dailey	14 May 1939	Los Angeles, Cal.	
b. John D. Dailey III Mrs. Nadine Wedel Dailey 2nd: W. D. Price Mrs. Nadine Dailey Price 3rd: Harold L. Goodhart	18 Feb. 1941 19 Sep. 1953 14 Aug. 1912	Santa Anna, Cal. in 2nd marriage to (Divorced) in 3rd marriage to Corwich, Iowa	29 Mar. 1941
c. Gene Leon Goodhart	8 Feb. 1955	Long Beach, Cal.	
(2) Donald Wedel Protestant a. Donald J. L. Wedel	12 Jan. 1918 22 June 1943 27 Oct. 1945	Pawnee Rock, Kan. 14921 Harper St., to Midway City, Cal. Seattle, Wash.	
6. Dorothy Wedel Protestant Lucius H. Campbell Parents: William Campbell and Sara E. Cornwall.	10 Aug. 1897 25 Dec. 1918 18 Apr. 1880	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Chase, Kans.	Neosho, Mo. Rt. 5
(1) Pauline E. Campbell Mennonite John J. Schmidt, Jr. Parents: John J. Schmidt, Sr. and Effie M. Wedel.	25 Nov. 1919 28 May 1940 1 Jan. 1917	Chase, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Pelican RpdS, Minn.
a. Judith J. Schmidt b. Thos. Lucius Schmidt c. Virginia L. Schmidt d. Gretchen F. Schmidt e. Douglas J. Schmidt f. Paulette Schmidt g. Bruce P. Schmidt	27 Apr. 1941 30 Aug. 1943 1 Apr. 1947 19 July 1949 3 Dec. 1950 18 Aug. 1952 14 Aug. 1953	Great Bend, Kan. do Pelican RpdS., Minn. do do do do	

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
(2) Phyllis M. Campbell Methodist Leslie Deckert Parents: Andrew J. Deckert and Susan Boese.	7 Mar. 1921 9 Aug. 1941 27 Dec. 1911	Chase, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Larned, Kan., Rt. 1, Box 49
a. Andrew J. Deckert b. Cora C. Deckert	15 Oct. 1942 12 Mar. 1952	Great Bend, Kan. do	
(3) Rosalie A. Campbell Protestant Walter C. Wiggins Parents: E. G. B. Wiggins and Julia A. E. Scott.	28 May 1924 6 Oct. 1945 17 July 1919	Chase, Kan. to Emmanuel Co., Ga.	2918 S. 51st Ter., Kansas City, Kan.
a. Dorothy A. Wiggins b. Walter C. Wiggins c. Roy Douglas Wiggins	22 Sep. 1946 5 Nov. 1947 17 Aug. 1949	Lyons, Kan. Granby, Mo. Kansas City, Mo.	12 Nov. 1947
(4) Deloris Campbell Methodist Norman Paul Parents: Robert E. Paul and Etta Harris.	3 Mar. 1930 13 May 1948 20 Feb. 1923	Great Bend, Kan. to Granby, Mo.	4750 S. Osage, Wichita, Kan.
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IV. SUSANNA A. SIEBERT Chr. of God, Menn. Benjamin Voth Parents:	22 Oct. 1862	Karolswalde, Russ. to Russian Poland	18 Feb. 1928
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V. BENJAMIN A. SIEBERT Mennonite Susie Ewert Parents: Franz Ewert and Aganeta Unruh.	28 June 1864 3 Dec. 1891 28 Feb. 1871	Grunthal, Russ. Pol. to Heinrichsdorf, Russ,	9 Sep. 1932 5 Nov. 1943
1. Viola Siebert Mennonite Frank G. Unruh Parents: Henry B. Unruh and Susan Dirks.	7 Feb. 1895 6 June 1917 24 Oct. 1886	Dundee, Kan. to Dundee, Kan.	Great Bend, Kan. Rt. 4
(1) Milton Chas. Unruh	2 Jan. 1930	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Wilfred Jas. Unruh	20 Oct. 1931	do	
2. Chester Siebert Mennonite Susie Smith Parents: Samuel Smith and Mary Boese.	17 Jan. 1897 8 Nov. 1923 8 Nov. 1898	Dundee, Kan. to Pawnee, Rock, Kan.	Larned, Kan. Rt. 4 Oct. 1958
(1) Lois Elaine Siebert Mennonite Earl Loganbill Parents: Homer G. Loganbill and Mary Elliott.	30 Aug. 1924 3 Aug. 1947 20 Dec. 1921	Larned, Kansas to California, Mo.	

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a. Carrol Loganbill	15 June 1950	Newton, Kan.	
b. Jerry Loganbill	15 July 1952	do	
(2) Frances I. Siebert	21 No. 1927	Great Bend, Kan.	
Mennonite	9 Oct. 1949	to	
Lloyd Rempel	22 Aug. 1922	Hillsboro, Kan.	
Parents: Jacob Rempel and Liese Balzer.			
a. Bruce Lloyd Rempel	16 Apr. 1952	Hillsboro, Kan.	Hillsboro, Kan.
b. Debra Kay Rempel	17 Oct. 1952	do	
c. Rempel			
(3) Donald E. Siebert	14 Jan. 1930	Great Bend, Kan.	11 Apr. 1954
(4) Roger Dale Siebert	4 Aug. 1935	do	
3. Malinda M. Siebert	27 Oct. 1898	Dundee, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan.
Mennonite	30 Sep. 1922	to	
Otto Schmidt	27 July 1898	Whitewater, Kan.	
Parents: Johann Schmidt and Anna Nikkel.			
4. Addie Siebert	4 Oct. 1900	Great Bend, Kan.	2520 Cheyenne Dr.,
Protestant	28 July 1921	to	Great Bend, Kan.
Harold Harms	31 Aug. 1898	Whitewater, Kan.	
Parents: Jacob J. Harms and Anna Ewert.			
(1) Kenneth K. Harms	29 Jan. 1923	Newton, Kans	1728 1/2 N. Hudson,
Protestant			Los Angeles, Cal.
(2) Lila Marilyn Harms	20 Nov. 1927	Great Bend, Kan.	
Protestant	19 Oct. 1947	to	
William C. Rogers	21 Sep. 1926	Great Bend, Kan.	
Parents: William A. Rogers and			
a. Wm. James Rogers	30 Aug. 1949	Great Bend, Kan.	
b. Paula Kay Rogers	23 Dec. 1952	Garden City, Kan.	
c. Roderick Rogers	25 Oct. 1954		
d. Linnette Rogers	3 July 1956	Great Bend, Kan.	
(3) Ernest Lloyd Harms	2 June 1932	do	
Protestant	23 May 1954	to	
Nancy Schneckloth	27 Sep. 1932	Omaha, Neb.	
Parents: Harry Barney Schneckloth and Mildred Groves.			
(4) Gary Douglas Harms	14 Jan. 1937	Great Bend, Kan.	
VI. ABRAHAM V. SIEBERT	21 Jan. 1866	Gruental, Russ. Pol	25 Nov. 1925
Chr. of New Jerusalem	18 Oct. 1888	to	
1st: Hanna Mull.			Died about 1890
1. Helena Siebert	. . . . .		Died in infancy
ABRAHAM V. SIEBERT	10 Dec. 1891	in 2nd marriage to	
2nd: Louisa Mull		Died about 1899
Parents:			

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2. Rose Siebert Protestant Leo Unruh Parents: John Unruh and Helena Deckert	25 Oct. 1892 7 Feb. 1888	Barton Co., Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	617 Santa Fe Larned, Kan.
(1) Delilah June Unruh Protestant Roy E. Clarkson Parents: a. Thomas G. Clarkson b. (twin Sister)	14 June 1917 31 Dec. 1949	Dundee, Kan. to	Died in infancy
(2) Zola Mae Unruh Protestant Albert Dale Latos Parents: a. Jeaneete Mae Latos b. Richard Dale Latos c. Cynthia Sue Latos	2 May 1921 23 Aug. 1943	Dundee, Kan. to	
3. Ooze Abr. Siebert Chr. of N. Jerusalem Susie V. Smith Parents: Peter D. Schmidt and Lena Schmidt.	10 Jan. 1895 3 May 1919 28 Feb. 1896	Barton Co., Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	840 S. 5th St., Salina, Kan. (O.A. Siebert is a cabinetmaker)
(1) Wm. Dean Siebert Protestant Terese L. Breault Catholic. Parents: Hector J. Breault and Rose M. LaBlenc.	5 Nov. 1924 8 Oct. 1948 15 Apr. 1929	Larned, Kansas. to Clifton, Kans.	
a. Wm. Dale Siebert b. Cynthia Sue Siebert	3 July 1950 16 Sep. 1951	Salina, Kan. do	
(2) Shirley L. Siebert Presbyterian Harold E. Johnson Parents: Elmer L. Johnson and Anita M. Dandurand.	17 Aug. 1928 6 Oct. 1951 25 Oct. 1927	Hutchinson, Kan. to Hutchinson, Kan.	
4. Opal A. Siebert	20 Dec. 1896	Barton Co. Kan.	Sublette, Kan.
5. Mazie Siebert	. . . . .	do	Died in infancy
ABRAHAM V. SIEBERT 3rd: Katie Unruh Parents: Bernard Unruh and Helena Dirks.	25 Oct. 1900 7 Aug. 1877	in 3rd marriage to Barton Co., Kan.	4 Apr. 1956
6. Theodore Siebert Chr. of N. Jerusalem Mildred Kerns Parents: Eiven R. Kerns and Grace V. Shawl.	2 Nov. 1902 20 Sep. 1925 25 Aug. 1900	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Sedgwick, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Rt. Kan.

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(1) Kenneth Siebert Protestant Mildred Steiner Parents:	14 June 1927 6 Dec. 1951	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	
(2) Glenn Edw. Siebert Protestant Geraldine Campbell Parents:	9 Nov. 1931 17 Dec. 1950	Great Bend, Kan. to	
7. Jasper Siebert Methodist Esther Irion Parents: Andrew Irion and Clara Baldwin.	22 Jan. 1905 6 Sep. 1927 26 Feb. 1907	Stafford Co., Kan. to Hamilton Co., Kan	Wallace, Kan.
(1) Howard C. Siebert	18 Mar. 1936	Larned, Kan.	
(2) Arylan Dee Siebert	18 Apr. 1939	do	
8. Violet Siebert Christian 1st: Lawrence King Parents:	16 Nov. 1908 13 Apr. 1908	Barton Co., Kan to	604 E. 1st St., Newton, Kan. 23 Jan. 1936
(1) Dorothy Jean King Prot. Leonard Pearson Parents:	14 July 1930 3 Oct. 1953	Larned, Kan. to	
(2) Lewis W. King Protestant Doris Kane Kopper	4 Apr. 1932 18 Apr. 1954	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	
Mrs. Violet Siebert King 2nd: James Brunner Parents: Henry L. Brunner and Addie Miller.	23 June 1952 19 Sep. 1907	Raton, N. M. in 2nd marriage to Harvey Co., Kan.	
9. Earl Mark Siebert Chr. of New Jerusalem Naida Bloom Methodist. Parents: Eugene F. Bloom and (1) Marc Eugene Siebert	11 Aug. 1912 25 May 1935 2 Nov. 1915 27 June 1943	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan Alice N. French Wichita, Kansas.	815 N. Monroe, Hutchinson, Kan.
10. Martha Siebert Chr. of New Jerusalem Clarence Wilcox	7 July 1916 14 June 1936	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to (Divorced 9 Nov. 1945)	Larned, Kan.
(1) Wayne Elliot Wilcox	31 Dec. 1937	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) LaVern Ralph Wilcox	8 Jan. 1939	Larned, Kan.	
(3) JoAnn Emma Wilcox	8 Mar. 1940	do	

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VII. JACOB A. SIEBERT (twin) Adventist. Mrs. Lena Unruh	2 Jan. 1868	Gruental, Russia to	31 Jan. 1949
VIII. HENRY A. SIEBERT (twin)	2 Jan. 1868	do do	2 Mar. 1875
IX. ANDREW A. SIEBERT Mennonite Carrie Boese Parents: Henry Boese and Helena Jantz.	25 Feb. 1870 23 Oct. 1892 27 Apr. 1874	do to Karolswalde, Russia	7 June 1947 14 Sep. 1943
1. Nola Siebert	4 Aug. 1893	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	10 Aug. 1893
2. Elmer Siebert	20 Aug. 1895	do	31 May 1896
3. Elvena Mae Siebert	12 May 1897	Dundee, Kan.	5 Feb. 1943
4. Grant Lewis Siebert Mennonite Minnie Unruh Parents: Peter H. Unruh and Susie Dirks.	27 Oct. 1901 24 June 1926 8 Mar. 1903	do to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	2809 Forest, Great Bend, Kan.

Grant Siebert with several others of that community spearheaded a drive to erect a monument to the Mennonite pioneers who settled there in 1874. They did a fine job of building a miniature to scale of the Stone Church from the original stones of the old building which was destroyed by a tornado prior to the 50th anniversary of the arrival of the pioneers. In cutting the stones a chip flew off, entering his eye, nearly destroying his sight

(1) Lowell Dean Siebert Protestant Wanda McCarter Parents: Preston S. McCarter and Birdie L. Hollis. a. Linda L. Siebert b. Stanley D. Siebert	27 Jan. 1929 25 June 1950 14 June 1932	do to Texas	Pampa, Texas Lowell is Dist. Engineer for Halliburton Oil Co.
(2) Roy Allen Siebert	30 Jan. 1932	do	12 Apr. 1932
(3) Twila Mae Siebert Protestant Jesse James	14 Aug. 1934 20 July 1956	do to	Is Grade School Teacher In military service, France
(4) Rosemary S. Siebert	13 Nov. 1935	do	R.N. Vet. Hosp. Wichita, Kan.
(5) Kenneth L. Siebert	5 May 1938	do	
5. Victor Chas. Siebert Mennonite Jenni Flora Erni Methodist. Parents: Daniel Chas. Erni and Julia Doll.	18 June 1905 8 Jan. 1928 5 Feb. 1906	Dundee, Kan. to Bison, Kan.	418 N. 28th St., Parsons, Kan.
(1) Lorraine Siebert Methodist Lamar Davis Parents: Lowell M. Davis and Myrtle R. Fugate. a. Larry Lamar Davis (2) Marilyn Kay Siebert	18 May 1920 24 Jan. 1951 27 Dec. 1929	Great Bend, Kan. to Bartlett, Kan.	Edna, Kan. Rt. 2
	27 Aug. 1955	Parsons, Kan.	
	19 Aug. 1938	Hays, Kan.	

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X. AGANETHA SIEBERT Mennonite Jacob P. Eck Parents: Peter H. Eck, Sr. and Aganetha Unruh.	1 Oct. 1871 9 Feb. 1890 6 June 1864	Gruntal, Russ. Pol. to Karolswald, do do	22 Sep. 1944 29 Sep. 1945
1. Lydia Eck Baptist Talmage D. Cooper, Sr. Parents: Burell Cooper and Margaret Brown.	28 May 1891 18 Dec. 1916 27 Sep. 1891	Marion Co. Kan. to Hinton, Ala.	546 Wall St., Salt Lake City 16, Utah
(1) Talmage D. Cooper, Jr. Mormon Mary Lenkersdorfer Parents: John Lenkersdorfer and Mary Dudley.	4 Oct. 1918 8 Nov. 1941 9 Mar. 1918	Salt Lake City, Ut. to Montana	Col. USAF HQ * CAMAE APO 10, New York, N.Y.
a. Talmage D. Cooper, III b. Mary Ann Cooper c. Rebecca Ann Cooper	8 Feb. 1943 11 Feb. 1946 20 Oct. 1952	Bakersfield, Cal. Brigham City, Utah Albuquerque, N. Mex.	
(2) Crystal Cooper Baptist Fred O'Neil Parents: Robt. O'Neil and Florence Nichols.	29 Apr. 1923 10 Oct. 1942 11 July 1922	Milford, Utah. to Salt Lake City, Ut.	213 College Blv. Boise, Idaho
a. Michael F. O'Neil b. Robt. Fred O'Neil c. Timothy C. O'Neil d. Patrice O'Neil e. Kathy O'Neil f. Kevin O'Neil	22 Feb. 1947 29 July 1949 2 May 1951 26 Mar. 1953 2 Feb. 1956 30 Nov. 1957	Salt Lake City, Ut. do Boise, Idaho do do do	4 Mar. 1947
(3) Virginia L. Cooper Mormon ¹ Karl O. Taylor Parents: Orson Taylor and Hazel Anderson.	22 June 1925 3 July 1946 19 Sep. 1921	Salt Lake City, Ut. to Marysville, Ut.	9138 Lubec St. Downey, Calif.
a. Stephen O. Taylor b. Nancy Lydia Taylor c. Jennifer L. Taylor d. Jeffrey Karl Taylor	24 Mar. 1947 31 Dec. 1949 20 June 1952 26 Mar. 1956	Logan, Utah Los Angeles, Cal. do Downey, Cal.	
(4) Carolyn Gay Cooper	29 Dec. 1936	Salt Lake City, Utah	
2. Eli Yale Eck Christian Science Mabel Gregory Parents: Isaac Gregory and Susan Gilbert	12 Oct. 1892 12 Oct. 1942 28 Dec. 1897	Marion Co., Kan. to Warsaw, Mo.	621 Quivera St., Nedles, Cal.
3. Willie J. Eck	25 Jan. 1894	Marion Co., Kan	29 Apr. 1897
4. David J. Eck Protestant Lillian Unruh Parents: Abraham Unruh and Louisa Harms.	26 Sep. 1895 20 Dec. 1925 9 Apr. 1907	do do to Kansas	21 Dec. 1954 410 N. Cypress Colton, Cal.

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(1) Patricia Kay Eck Protestant Norman F. Powell Parents: Harry O. Powell and Leona Khomo. a. Linda Lee Powell	1 Apr. 1939 1 Nov. 1956 29 May 1922 9 Oct. 1958	Eugene, Ore. to Michigan Colton, Calif.	
5. Hulda Eck Mennonite 1st: Henry Kubler Parents: Fred Kubler and Louise Gohr. Mrs. Hulda Eck Kubler 2nd: Jack Cleland	17 Aug. 1897 Feb. 1917 10 May 1895 24 Jul. 1930 10 Dec. 1884	Marion Co., Kan. to Arcadia, Kan. in 2nd marriage to	1856 Calistoga Rd., Santa Rosa, Cal. 11 Nov. 1926
6. Martha Eck Lutheran Conrad Reiswig Parents: Peter Reiswig and Charlotta Wilhelm. (1) Restes Jas. Reiswig Lutheran 1st: Vera Ochsley Restes Jas. Reiswig 2nd: Alice Knox Parents: Chester B. Knox and Ethel I. Dudley. a. Randolph J. Reiswig b. Wendy Carroll do	12 July 1899 10 Jan. 1919 1886 4 Jan. 1920 6 Sep. 1945 3 Sep. 1949 18 Dec. 1923 27 Dec. 1951 20 May 1954	Marion Co., Kan. to Hillsboro, Kan. to (divorced) in 2nd marriage to Oxnard, Cal. Bakersfield, Cal. do	28 May 1948 Sep. 1946 Tehachapi, Cal. PO Box 192
7. Emma Eck Mennonite Henry Friesen Parents: Peter H. Friesen and Katherine Harms. (1) Earl Wayne Friesen Methodist Betty Ann Strunk Parents: Arthur H. Strunk and Mary Bushnell. a. Aaron Neal Friesen (2) Claude H. Friesen Methodist Alice Clayton Parents: Ellis V. Clayton & L. Marshall. a. Douglas G. Friesen b. (3) Donald E. Friesen	24 Mar. 1901 29 Apr. 1896 8 Jan. 1927 22 Aug. 1950 29 Mar. 1926 29 Mar. 1955 28 Dec. 1928 12 Aug. 1953 26 May 1931 20 July 1956 20 Oct. 1941	Marion Co., Kan. to Kansas Hillsboro, Kan. (A.B.&Ph.D. Univ. to (Cal., Berkeley. Instruc- Iowa. (tor, Univ. Ind. Bloomington, Ind. Berkeley, Cal. Hillsboro, Kan. (A.B.Archit., U.C. to (Berkeley, Cal. - B.D., Drew N.J. (Theo.Sem. '54. Assoc. Pas- (tor, Meth. Chr., Fresno, Cal. Bayonne, N.J. (Fresno, Cal. Bakersfield, Cal.	801 - 8th St., Bakersfield, Cal.
3. Mary Eck Mennonite Ruben M. Mosiman Parents: Emanuel C. Mosiman and Anna Janzen.	27 Dec. 1902 30 Apr. 1925 18 Sep. 1901	Marion Co., Kan. to Neoga, Ill.	1709 Holly Dr., Lodi, Cal.

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9. Anna Hazel Eck Mennonite	21 Feb. 1905 11 June 1929	Marion Co., Kan. to	5920 Norris Dr., Bakersfield, Cal.
1st: Manford Compton	26 July 1900	Illinois	5 Nov. 1945
Parents: Virgil Compton and Dorothy Woodard.			
(1) Joanne D. Compton Methodist	13 Dec. 1934 13 Aug. 1955	Bakersfield, Cal. to	
Earl Ray Thomas Baptist.	17 Nov. 1934	LaVerne, Okla.	
Parents: Oliver E. Thomas and Norma Barbour.			
Mrs. Anna Eck Compton	22 Oct. 1949	in 2nd marriage to	
2nd: Robert M. Sykes	11 Nov. 1904	Ohio	
Parents: Clarence R. Sykes and Addie McMillan.			
10. Nettie Eck Jehovah's Witness	21 Aug. 1906 14 July 1930	Marion Co., Kan. to	1105 Alice St., Modesto, Cal.
Kenneth Sweeney	6 Dec. 1902		
Parents: John Wm. Sweeney and Phoebe Hodges.			
(1) Frances Sweeney Protestant	12 Aug. 1931 10 Sep. 1940	Turlock, Cal. to	604 W. 10th St., Tracy, Calif.
Dick Loudermilk	27 May 1925	(Divorced)	
Parents: Joe Loudermilk and Ada . . .			
a. Barry Loudermilk	12 July 1950	Turlock, Cal.	
b. April Annette do	16 Apr. 1957	Tracy, Cal.	
(2) Esther Sweeney Protestant	27 Aug. 1933 26 Apr. 1952	Turlock, Cal. to	425 Briggs Modesto, Cal.
Leroy Simmons	18 Aug. 1929		
Parents: Walter Simmons and Nancy Coe.			
a. Laurie Simmons	5 July 1954	Modesto, Cal.	
b. Forest Vern Simmons	23 Feb. 1958	do	
(3) Merle K. Sweeney	22 June 1942	Turlock, Cal.	23 July 1942
11. Andrew J. Eck	31 July 1908	Finney Co., Kan.	July 1909
12. Luvina Eck	23 Mar. 1910	do	Sep. 1910
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XI. JOHANN SIEBERT	2 Apr. 1873	Russ. Poland	Fall of 1874
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XII. FREDERICK A. SIEBERT	8 Apr. 1876	Dundee, Kan.	14 Jan. 1954
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XIII. JOSEPHINE SIEBERT Mennonite	21 May 1878 4 Nov. 1897	Rush Co., Kan. to	615 Park St., Larned, Kan.
JACOB D. SCHMIDT	29 Oct. 1872	Karolswalde, Rus.	14 July 1943
Parents: David A. Schmidt and Eva Becker.			

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1. Golda Schmidt Mennonite Elmer Jantz Parents: Henry C. Jantz and Anna Deckert.	29 Jan. 1901 21 Nov. 1926 2 May 1891	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Dundee, Kan.	Larned, Kan.
(1) Melva Deline Jantz	21 Nov. 1927	Larned, Kan.	5 Nov. 1939
(2) Mildred C. Jantz Mennonite Wm. Errol Unrau Parents: Wm. Howard Unrau and Margaret C. Epp.	1 June 1931 17 Aug. 1952 19 Aug. 1929	do to Goessel, Kan.	
a. Debra Denise Unrau b. Wm. Scott Unrau	2 Aug. 1953 25 Nov. 1955	Larned, Kan. do	
(3) Anna Jo Jantz	24 Aug. 1937	Great Bend, Kan.	
2. Daniel Schmidt Mennonite Davinia Smith Parents: David T. Smith and Agnes Schmidt.	18 July 1903 4 Aug. 1926 27 Aug. 1906	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Beaver, Okla.	Pawnee Rk., Kan. Rt.
(1) Glendora Smith Mennonite Arthur E. Schmidt Parents: Anton Schmidt and Mayme Pedigo.	19 July 1927 26 Aug. 1949 1 Aug. 1923	Great Bend, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
a. Rebecca Schmidt b. c. John Arthur Schmidt d. Carl Kent Schmidt	11 June 1954 11 Dec. 1957		
(2) Norma Lee Schmidt Mennonite Jerome Strobel Parents:	12 Sep. 1933	Great Bend, Kan. to	
a. Michael Strobel b. Joseph Ross Strobel	Dec. 1954 11 Oct. 1957		
(3) Jay Dee Schmidt	25 Sep. 1936	Great Bend, Kan.	
3. Myrtle Schmidt, R. N. Protestant Emerson Haynes Parents: Jonathan Haynes and Leila Smith.	16 Nov. 1905 4 Sep. 1930 24 July 1906	Pawnee Rk., Ks. to Baileyville, Kan.	10336 Sand Pt. Wy., Seattle 55, Wash. U.S.ARMY, Ret'd.
(1) Emerson L. Haynes	11 Jan. 1941	Manilla, P. I.	
(2) Sharon I. Haynes	3 Sep. 1943	Seattle, Wash.	

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4. Garfield Schmidt Mennonite Bertine Dirks Parents: Jacob P. Dirks and Elizabeth C. Schultz.	25 July 1907 10 June 1931 25 Feb. 1913	Barton Co., Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	Larned, Kan. Rt. 1 Box 30
(1) Garfield Clair Schmidt	1 Jan. 1938	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) John Lynn Schmidt (twin)	16 Oct. 1941	do	
(3) James Lee Schmidt (twin)	16 Oct. 1941	do	
(4) Joel Elwood Schmidt	15 Feb. 1951	do	
5. Alfred Schmidt Protestant Esther Martha Witt Parents: Hugo Witt and Anna Dellenbach.	6 July 1909 20 Oct. 1935 9 Nov. 1913	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Abbyville, Kan.	Arlington, Kan.
(1) Adele Ann Schmidt	28 Mar. 1937	Hutchinson, Kan.	
(2) Guy Al Schmidt	16 Nov. 1939	do	2 Dec. 1939
(3) Sandra Lou Schmidt	4 Jan. 1942	do	
(4) Dennis Lee Schmidt	13 Oct. 1946	do	
6. Nellie Schmidt Congregational Arthur Thalheim Parents: Albert Thalheim and Clara Pleger.	15 Apr. 1911 6 Oct. 1940 29 Apr. 1902	Barton Co., Kan. to Albert, Kan.	1509 Tyler, Great Bend, Kan.
(1) Arlis Jean Thalheim	7 Oct. 1943	Great Bend, Kan.	11 Oct. 1943
(2) Kerry Thalheim	8 Mar. 1945	do do	
(3) Cheryl Thalheim	5 Sep. 1947	do do	
(4) Arthur Fred Thalheim	14 Nov. 1949	do do	
7. Fern Schmidt Mennonite Earl Ledford Parents: William Ledford and Bessie Harned.	17 Feb. 1915 19 May 1918	Newton, Kan. to Anderson, Mo.	121 Santa Fe St., Larned, Kan.
(1) Millicent E. Ledford	18 Oct. 1938	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Nedra Kay Ledford	3 Nov. 1939	Anderson, Mo.	
(3) Terry Kent Ledford	5 Apr. 1943	Great Bend, Kan.	
(4) Phil Elroy Ledford	6 Apr. 1949	do do	

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8. Ella Schmidt Protestant Hugh Pittenger Parents: Herbert Pittenger and Louise Johnson.	15 Sep. 1917 19 Dec. 1944 3 June 1904	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to McPherson, Kan.	423 E. 10th Larned, Kan.
(1) Hugh A. Pittenger	20 Sep. 1945	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Ella L. Pittenger	17 Aug. 1946	do do	
9. Maxine Schmidt Protestant Harold Ledford Parents: William Ledford and Bessie Harned.	4 Oct. 1919 3 Apr. 1946 4 Nov. 1915	Newton, Kansas to Anderson, Mo.	615 Park St., Larned, Kan.
(1) Loren Dale Ledford	26 Sep. 1947	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Kenneth Ray Ledford	24 Jan. 1952	Larned, Kans.	
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XIV. MATHILDA SIEBERT Protestant JAMES UNRUH Parents: Abraham Unruh and Susanna Decker.	18 Aug. 1880 7 Oct. 1897 23 Sep. 1870	Barton Co., Kan. to Bremen, Germany	103 W. Kentucky Anadarko, Okla.
1. Raymond G. Unruh		Marion Co., Kan.	Died in infancy
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2. Racine Clara Unruh Protestant Russell Van Note Parents:	4 Mar. 1900 22 Mar. 1930 28 Oct. 1901	do do to Des Moines, I. (Divorced 10 Apr. 1941)	
(1) Russell Van Note Jr.	7 Jan. 1937	Los Angeles, Cal.	
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3. Victor J. Unruh Protestant Thelma H. Haggeman Parents: David C. Haggeman and Cora Mayberry.	11 May 1901 12 Jan. 1926 30 May 1907	Marion Co., Kan. to Nardin, Okla.	Lookeba, Okla. Rt. 1
(1) Leland J. Unruh Protestant Ella Marie Smith Parents: William H. Smith and Ada Mae Green.	10 Jan. 1927 1 June 1948 24 Aug. 1927	Lookeba, Okla. to Hydro, Okla.	
a. Leland J. Unruh, Jr.	17 Mar. 1949	Hydro, Okla.	
b. Linda May Unruh	23 Nov. 1950	Custer, Okla.	
(2) Nelson S. Unruh Protestant Betty Larue Smith Parents:	12 May 1928 21 Feb. 1954	Lookeba, Okla. to	
a. Michael Nelson Unruh	21 Dec. 1955		

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(3) Margie M. Unruh Protestant Marvin H. Constien Parents:	8 Nov. 1932 22 Mar. 1951	Lookeba, Okla. to	
4. Uriah S. Unruh Protestant 1st: Doris Duncan	18 June 1904 June 1930	Lookeba, Okla. to (Divorced)	Thayer, Kan. Rt. 2
(1) Eugene Duncan (Unruh) Protestant (Married to)			
Mr. Uriah S. Unruh 2nd: Flora Ely Parents:		in 2nd marriage to	
(2) Stella Kath. Unruh	15 Feb. 1945	Thomas, Okla.	
(3) James Uriah Unruh	29 Apr. 1946	Hydro, Okla.	
(4) LeRoy Ely Unruh	26 May 1947	do	
(5) Matilda Judith Unruh	5 June 1948	do	
(6) Sarah M. Unruh	17 Oct. 1950	Thayer, Kan.	
(7) Virginia M. Unruh	21 Dec. 1951	do	
(8) Aaron Israel Unruh	13 Jan. 1953	do	
5. Ruth Madora Unruh Protestant Jay Pemberton Parents: A. Pemberton and Rosa Pemberton.	30 Oct. 1905 4 Feb. 1933 30 July 1902	Lookeba, Okla. to	9135 Olin St., Los Angeles 34, Calif.
(1) Ruthella Pemberton	23 May 1935	Los Angeles, Cal.	
(2) Jay Pemberton, Jr.	29 Aug. 1940	do	
6. Della Matilda Unruh Protestant William W. Birden Parents:	6 Oct. 1910 15 Dec. 1938	Lookeba, Okla. to	Deceased
XV. SARAH SIEBERT	2 July 1884	Rush Co., Kan.	1885

BENJAMIN A. SIEBERT and KATHARINA VOTH.

Benjamin was the seventh child of Abraham Siebert. It was by a lucky chance that I found trace of this family, because he, like so many others, chose to remain in Russia.

In reading the German Mennonitische Rundschau of May 7, 1954, I ran across a letter which trickled thru from behind the "Iron Curtain" of Russia, written by Mrs. Wm. W. Janzen to her son Peter W. Janzen at Sardis, B. C., Canada. He had sent her letter in to the Rundschau office to be published, for the Canadian Mennonites, many of whom have rather recently come from Russia, are always eager to hear news from their former neighbors and relatives still living in Russia.

The contents of the letter told of the death of Mrs. Janzen's youngest daughter, Sara. Also enclosed were photos of Sara in her casket, their old home, and of themselves, (the survivors). She also mentioned that her youngest brother, Jacob Siebert, had died two years before.

Curious at the mention of the name Siebert, I wrote to Mr. Janzen at Sardis, B. C., explaining my interest in the Siebert family and wondering if we were related. I also enclosed a couple of old Russian addresses of Grandfather Andrew Siebert's brothers. These had been preserved by my parents from the time when correspondence was carried on between them before the Iron Curtain descended in Russia.

To my great surprise I received a prompt reply saying that he was definitely certain we were related, even identifying the handwriting of the addresses. He helped me to get at least a sketchy record of their family and also put me in touch with others, thereby getting considerable material together. I am including excerpts of letters from members of the family which tell the story of their lives more graphically than their genealogy would. Family index follows.

Children of Benj. & Kath. Voth Siebert:

Children of Eva & Wm. W. Janzen, Sr.

I. EVA SIEBERT married to
Wm. W. Janzen, Sr.

1.. Kathrina Janzen

II. SUSANNA SIEBERT to
Jakob Reimer

2. Peter W. Janzen

III. HEINRICH SIEBERT to
Sara Lammert

3. Aganeta Janzen

IV. ANDREAS SIEBERT to
1st: Liese Schmidt
2nd: Anna Schmidt

4. Abraham Janzen

5. Susanna Janzen

6. Elizabeth Janzen

7. Jakob Janzen

V. BENJAMIN SIEBERT, Jr. to
Anna Esau

8. Eva Janzen

9. Heinrich Janzen

VI. JACOB SIEBERT to
Katharina Wall

10. Helena Janzen

11. Sara Janzen

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
G. BENJAMIN A. SIEBERT Mennonite	1 Apr. 1837	Karolswalde, Russ.	Jan. 1915
KATHARINA VOTH Parents: (Not known)	19 Sep. 1834	to Karolswalde, Russ.	13 Sep. 1902
I. EVA B. SIEBERT Mennonite	21 Aug. 1860 16 Jun. 1885	Jadweninne, Russ. to	23 Oct. 1955
WILHELM W. JANZEN, SR. Parents:	3 Mar. 1856	Rudnerweide, S. R.	9 Nov. 1917

Wilhelm W. Janzen's first wife was Helena Ludke by whom he had one son, Wilhem, Jr. who became a Mennonite minister and was half-brother to the other children by Eva, but of course not related to our line of Sieberts.

His is one of the sad stories of the tragic lives of many of those who had the misfortune to be caught in the throes of the Bolshevik Revolution of Russia. I am herewith submitting a translation from the German book, Mennonite Martyrs by A. A. Toews, a compilation of many Mennonite ministers, teachers and devout Christians who fell victim to the unholy persecution of their times.

Preacher Wilhelm W. Janzen, Jr. of Siberia.

He was born Dec. 26, 1883 in the village of Rudnerweide in the colony of the Molotschna valley where his parents lived. His mother died soon after and the little boy was taken to his grandparents to be cared for. They lived nearby and even later, when his father married again, he was reared by his uncles and aunts. One of his uncles, Abraham Janzen, was a teacher in Kotljarewka, Memrik, so the nephew Wilhelm lived with him and went to his school until he finished. In the meantime his parents (his father had married Eva) had moved to Neu Samara, a new settlement.

Wilhelm stayed in Memrik to go to school and there he grew up. He loved music and to sing and play the violin. After completing school he worked in the village, learning the cabinetmaker's trade by the time he was 21. He was of a quiet nature and led a rather secluded life.

He attended catechism class and was baptized by his uncle, Elder Peter Janzen of the Memrik congregation and taken into the fellowship of the church. In the summer of 1908 he rode with his uncle Abraham to Samara to the wedding of his oldest sister. Here he met the girl who later became his wife, Katharina Regehr, and to whom he was married not long after. She was the daughter of Peter Regehr of Podolsk.

A year later the young couple, together with his parents-in-law, moved to Siberia to a new Mennonite settlement, near Barnaul. Here in the village of Silberfeld the courageous young couple built their first home, a sod-house with a roof of timbers and earth. The necessary timbers and other lumber had to be hauled 80 wersts (1 werst=3500 ft.) from the nearest forest. They also built a barn and other farm buildings.

Not long after this, war broke out and Wilhelm also had to serve. In the far-off frigid zone of Siberia he with many others had to hew and make railroad ties. He served here until the end of the first World War. Soon afterwards the Bolshevik Revolution broke out and he returned home.

Even before the war he had been asked to serve as song leader in the church; then as deacon and finally he was selected to preach. However he was not ordained until later. He preached the Gospel to his fellow-workers while he served with them in the lumber camps and was later ordained as minister in the Mennonite Brethren Church.

In the fall of 1929 when the great mass migration movement to Moscow to get visas started, many people were arrested and sent into exile. The secret police looked everywhere for the leaders of this movement out of the Soviet Union and tried ruthlessly to suppress it. So too, Wilhelm came under suspicion and was arrested.

Preachers were considered the spiritual leaders of their people and were in the first line of chosen victims. They came to his house and made a written list of everything he owned and requisitioned it for the Red government. Wilhelm Janzen was taken to the nearest principal city where he had to shovel snow in the winter off the streets and roads; and that on a very poor diet. At night they had to sleep in cold unheated barracks.

But bad as that was, it got worse. Together with his family he was sent into exile to the far north in the region of Narmskij Kraj where also many other Mennonite families were. Small children and weak or sickly persons were put into sleds and the others had to walk. Most of the little ones froze to death on the way and were buried in the snow by the wayside.

For a long time their friends back home heard nothing from them, but finally a lone letter arrived from someone saying that they were starving and unless help came soon they would all die. His parents and brothers and sisters sent what they could but they received none of it. At that time many things were stolen in transit, from post offices and warehouses.

Finally one package sent from Canada arrived but too late as they had already succumbed to hunger.

Their house had been a cave in the earth with a dirt roof. At one end was left a hole for a window and at the other end an opening for a door. This was in the year 1931. Brother Peter Janzen of Sprinsteen, Manitoba, adds the following comment. "His first wife died in 1924 of Typhus. Then the Lord gave him another to take over as mother of his 5 orphaned children, the Widow Eva Teichgrob, with whom he had a little daughter. She faithfully shared his exile with him and family until she too died of starvation."

By these inhuman devices the Communist government tortured to death hundreds of thousand, even millions of its most faithful and loyal subjects. Why? What for, or to what purpose? To this there is no answer. But our Lord Jesus says: "Vengeance is mine, I will repay." "And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from Heaven with his mighty angels." 2 Thes. 1:7.

The above account was submitted to the author of Mennonitische Martyrer by Peter W. Janzen.

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Continuing the Wm. W. Janzen, Sr. family--

1. Katharina W. Janzen Mennonite Benjamin Unruh Parents:	8 May 1886 8 May 1908	Rudnerweide, Russ. to	5 June 1922
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(No information on her family in the 14 years she lived with her husband.)

2. Peter Wm. Janzen Menn. Breth. Helena Toews Parents: Johann Toews and Susanna Bornn.	17 July 1887 June 1915 25 Feb. 1898	Rudnerweide, Russ. to Yugofka, N. Sam.	866 Keith Wil- son Rd., Sardis, B. C. Can. Rt. #4.
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(Following is the life history of the Peter W. Janzen family.)

From the village of Rudnerweide, Molotschna, S. Russia where I was born in 1887 my parents moved to the new settlement of Neu Samara, Podolsk in the spring of 1891. We made the trek by wagon as far as Berdjansk, a city on the Azov Sea. From there we sailed by ship to the mouth of the River Don, where, changing to a river boat, we continued up the Don to where it nears the bend of the Volga River. Here for a distance of nearly 60 miles we went by train to what is now the city of Stalingrad. There we again embarked on a ship and sailed up the Volga for about 300 miles to Samara, (now Kuibyshev). Here Father bought a horse and a telega, (a lumberwagon, not even the wheels had iron rims) and we drove the next 50 miles to the settlement of Neu Samara. Mother and we four children rode on the wagon and father walked.

When we arrived at our destination we had traveled some 500 miles from our home in the beautiful Ukraine, northeasterly into a cold climate where there was much snow. Here I grew up, attended school and grew to young manhood. I was now 19 and since we had a poor harvest I decided to go back to the Molotschna and make my own way. I took advantage of the opportunity to learn the cabinet-maker's trade, later also working on vehicles and mills.

At age 21 I had to go back to Neu Samara to take the physical examination for forestry service in lieu of military duty which the Mennonite youth had to give. I passed and had to serve 3 to 4 years. I spent the winters at my home working at the cabinet and building trade and milling.

In March 1913 I travelled to Siberia where my sister Kathrina and her husband had settled in the new region of Barnaul, village of Kleefeld. Her husband let me use his blacksmithing equipment to go to work in that trade. I had plenty of work and made good money. I also met the girl who became my wife in 1915.

Because of her father's poor health I bought his farm and from then on I was a busy man, doing both farming and blacksmithing. In 1918 came the horrible revolution when Czar Nickolas and his family were murdered in a cellar at Ekaterinenburg, their bodies taken into the nearby forest, soaked with gasoline and burned.

Many historians have written accounts of this gruesome act but much will never be revealed until the Great Judgment. A reign of anarchy now came upon us; several parties fought for control, each one promising everything good but

failing to fulfill. No one was responsible and much robbing, looting and murder was the order of the day. Much was said and written and prophesied by Christian people about these times but I prayed to God to give me wisdom and strength to do the right and preserve me from harm.

At this time there was much talk of emigration but no one knew how to make it possible nor where to go. Presently there came a report that a group of our people were leaving for Canada. I felt and said that if they succeeded in getting thru it would be God's will that we Mennonites should emigrate. Our group in Siberia had also sent a representative, John Goerzen, to Moscow to find out if it could be made possible. However at that time there was no way open to leave nor a place to settle.

However by 1924 there were several countries which had consulates in Moscow, including Mexico. In the meantime letters had arrived from some of the people who had reached Canada in 1923 and from Elder Banman that Mennonites from Canada were moving to Mexico.

The Mennonite Relief Board had been organized by now and they decided to resettle the people of the Ukraine and southern Russia because they were starving and were suffering from depredations and looting by the terrible Machnowka robber bands. Afterwards they would consider the resettlement of the Siberian Mennonites.

A group of 12 of us families did not wish to wait so we decided to sell our belongings and get ready to move to Mexico. We were from six villages and figured we would have enough money to pay our own fare after selling out our buildings, machinery and our live stock.

We left Siberia August 2nd 1925. Besides my family I also took along my wife's mother and a half-orphaned young man, Gerhard Bergen. Our group arrived at Irapuato, Mexico, Oct. 9, 1925 and lived there thru the winter until March 2nd, 1926.

The Canadian Mennonites had settled in two villages there, but for some reason all seemed anxious to sell us their land. I was then soon to learn that they did not like it and wished to return to Canada.

Our group of 10 families (2 families had remained in Moscow) decided to settle together with 21 others in the state of Durango, Cuauhtemoc, El Trebol. We advised our worker, Gerh. Bergen, whose aunt in California had arranged for him a position in Manitoba and sent him the money, to go there, which he did.

I had made up my mind to try it out in Mexico and farm there for at least five years. My wife's mother wished to go to her relatives in Mt. Lake, Minn., but since it could not be so easily arranged she remained with us. We had made an agreement with Gerh. Bergen to repay us the money he owed us for his fare when we got ready to go to Canada.

By this time typhus broke out in the colony and since our children had been exposed to it our 6-year old Susanna came down with it first. Next I got it and was unconscious for three weeks. When I got well enough so that I could think and reason my wife told me that several of the neighbors had made preparations to go to Canada and she wondered if we hadn't better try to go there too.

I still intended to stay by my decision to remain in Mexico for a five year's trial, but kept hearing from first one and then another of how easy it was to get permission to leave; that various ones were already going, etc., so my wife and I took council and came to the conclusion to go to Canada also. We applied for passes and also wrote to Gerhard to send us the money he owed us. We received both within a short time. We then drove the 18 kilometers with what things we had to our neighbors who were also Canada bound, and sold them at auction. By the end of February 1927 we left Mexico and on March 18th at 9 PM we arrived at Emerson Jct., Canada.

The border physician, Dr. McIntosh, examined us for our eyes before we stepped off the train and then told us to get off and into the Immigration House, where we spent the night. In the morning the messenger came and took myself and wife to the Inspector's office where we were registered. The border doctor had again been summoned by telephone and examined us, being unmercifully rough in turning my wife's eyelids. He spoke to the Inspector and then told us to go. We went to the small house where Mother had been taken. She had been very worried and asked what they intended to do with us. We could not tell her because we had not understood English.

By this time we were hungry and did not know how to get food so we walked out a ways on the sidewalk and stopped by a man standing beside his wood-cutting outfit. He asked us, "What do you want?" We said: "We want to buy bread." He said, "Oh, so you are German! Did you arrive last night on the train?" "Yes" "Then you can also speak Russian? That is fine." Then he directed us to a store where we went and bought food. The storekeeper was a Russian Jew and was able to speak four languages.

In the evening some German railroad workers came to visit us. Also a farmer, Peter Reimer, living near the station came with his family every evening.

On April 1st our neighbors from Mexico arrived at 6 AM. They were taken across the border, "processed" and sent back. We were awakened by the old watchman, Dapuh, (an Englishman of 80 yrs.) who said, "Back to Mexico!" These were the first English words that we understood and remembered, and shall never forget.

Our discouragement, anxiety and sorrow cannot be imagined. We ate some breakfast and by 9 o'clock were sitting in the station. All our German friends had come there to sympathize with us and console us and prayed to God with us to give us strength and help in our sorrow. Our Father in Heaven who knows and guides the hearts of men as the streams of water, also led us to our destiny. He had been with us in our dealings with the Soviet government, our long journey by sea and land, the Mennonite Board, and with all those who in quiet moments did their part before Him. Praise to his Holy Name.

Presently the train came steaming into the station, the Inspector stepped off and told us we could stay 5 days longer because another family was coming from where we had come, so we should wait to see if they were to sent back also. Then we could all go back together.

I decided to take advantage of this time to see what I could do. I sat down immediately and wrote to the Mennonite Board at Winnipeg, describing our plight. Also our experience of the night before of how my wife, being pregnant, had begun labor, and that after applying hot compresses we had successfully stopped the pains. The Board telegraphed this to Ottawa and the report came back that we could stay awhile longer.

We had become acquainted with several Mennonites and their minister and I phoned to them. They were ready to help us and told us of a house which was vacant into which they helped us move. They provided a stove, fuel, a few pieces of furniture, bed, etc., so we could get along. Brother Heinrichs drove Mother, myself and the children there and we awaited our fate.

It was arranged for my wife to stay in town with the Reimers until she was delivered and also so she could have medical treatment for her eyes. While living in Mexico, or perhaps on the journey, her eyes had become infected with trachoma. Dr. Wallos, who was a friend of the Mennonites, gave her excellent treatment.

So the baby was delivered and my wife's eyes were cured. Dr. Wallos reported this to the Inspector, signed a statement to that effect, who then said we could remain in Canada! This was in July 1927. Were we ever happy!! We thanked God for his deliverance and help.

This is already a long story but there is much that I have not written. Experiences like this must be lived thru to understand and know them. To make a long story short I'll write a bit of our start in Canada. I wanted to farm but had no equipment; besides the farmers complained of low prices, taxes and other difficulties, so I decided to work with a man who owned a feed chopper, grinding grain, and also chopping and sawing wood. Later I bought him out, paid him off in 3 years, and became my own boss Feb. 8, 1928. In another 3 years I was able to pay off debts incurred while in Mexico for which the Mennonite Board had advanced the money, and also money I owed to some relatives.

In 1933 we moved to Springstein, Man. on a 120-acre farm where the first harvest in 1934 was taken by grasshoppers. The 50 acres that I had planted did not yield enough to pay taxes. I had raised a little grain which I sold and with the money bought lumber to build a house, 18 X 22 with my own labor. I built a barn of prairie sod with the help of the children. I had some hay that I sold to a dairy farmer the next year, delivering it to him by sled 7 miles in the winter, and also earned some money sawing wood. 1936 was a little better and in 1937 I had a good harvest, paying all my back taxes. In 1939 I bought lumber and built a good barn. We lived this way until 1946 when we sold out and moved to Sardis, B. C., which is our home now. We united with the Mennonite Brethren Church.

It has not been easy for us and we covet your prayers.

Your sorrowing friends,
(singed) Helena & Peter W. Janzen

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(Continuing with children of Peter W. & Helena)

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| (1) Peter P. Janzen | 12 Mar. 1916 | Kleefeld, Siberia. | 24 July 1916 |
| (2) Helena P. Janzen | 18 July 1917 | do do | 5 Oct. 1918 |
| (3) Susanna P. Janzen | 6 Mar. 1919 | do do | Gem, Alta., Can. |
| Menn. Breth. Chr. | 11 Mar. 1951 | to | Box 33 |
| Jacob H. Duerksen | 17 Aug. 1923 | Slawgorod, Tomsk, Russ. | |
| Parents: Heinrich Duerksen and Margaretha Bock. | | | |
| a. Ronda Lynn Duerksen | 21 July 1952 | Gem, Alta., Can. | |
| (4) Eva P. Janzen | 28 Dec. 1921 | Kleefeld, Siberia. | Wedder Mtn. |
| Menn. Breth. Chr. | 28 June 1942 | to | Rd., Yarrow, |
| David D. Loewen | 24 Sep. 1912 | Ukraine, S. Russ. | B. C. Can. |
| Parents: David Loewen and Tina Neudorf. | | | Rt. 1 |
| a. Rufus David Loewen | 24 Sep. 1945 | Yarrow, B. C. Can. | |
| b. Walter P. Loewen | 21 Jan. 1947 | do do | |
| c. Olga Helena Loewen | 21 Aug. 1948 | do do | |
| d. Harry Gerh. Loewen | 9 Jan. 1950 | do do | |
| e. Aaron Henry Loewen | 23 Aug. 1951 | do do | |
| (5) Margaretha P. Janzen | 20 Aug. 1924 | Kleefeld, Sib., Russ. | |
| (6) Wilhelm P. Janzen | 22 May 1927 | Halbstadt, Man. Can. | |
| Mennonite | 23 Apr. 1949 | to | |
| Lorraine Erikson | 31 Aug. 1932 | Melfort, Sask., Can. | |
| Parents: John Wm. Erikson and . . | | | |
| a. Lorne W. Janzen | 21 Nov. 1949 | Vancouver, B. C. Can. | |
| b. Diane Susan Janzen | 29 Nov. 1950 | do do | |
| c. Unnamed child | | | Deceased |
| d. Richard I. Janzen | 21 Jan. 1953 | Melfort, Sask., Can. | |
| (7) Johann P. Janzen | 30 May 1929 | Halbstadt, Man., Can. | |
| Protestant | 10 Oct. 1950 | to | |
| Anne Thiessen | | | |
| Parents: . . | | | |
| (8) Sara P. Janzen | 26 Apr. 1932 | Halbstadt, Man., Can. | |
| Lutheran | Apr. 1949 | to | |
| Emanuel Hinkel | 13 Aug. 1926 | Winnipeg, Man., Can. | |
| Parents: Friedrich Hinkel and Eva . . . | | | |
| a. Donald R. Hinkel | 29 Oct. 1952 | Quisnel, B. C., Can. | |
| b. Douglas Wayne Hinkel | 17 Nov. 1954 | do do | |
| (9) Abraham P. Janzen | 8 Oct. 1934 | Winnipeg, Can. | 30 July 1938 |
| (10) Jakob P. Janzen | 2 Sep. 1937 | do do | |
| (11) Maria P. Janzen | 8 Jan. 1940 | do do | |

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
3. Aganetha W. Janzen Mennonite Peter P. Kroeker Parents:	30 Nov. 1888 May 1913	Rudnerweide, Russ. to (Died in prison in Russia).	20 Oct. 1938
(1) Peter P. Kroeker		(Also died in prison in Russia).	
(2) Eva P. Kroeker		(Lives in Bogomasow, Russia).	
(3) Tina P. Kroeker		do do do do	
(4) Abram P. Kroeker, (Is married, has 2 boys, lives in Molotov, Russ.).			
(5) Lena P. Kroeker, married to Abraham Funk, (Have 2 boys, live in Bogomasow, Russ.).			
(6) Neta P. Kroeker, lives in Orsk, Russia.			
(7) Heinrich P. Kroeker, is student in technicum as topographer.			
4. Abraham W. Janzen Mennonite Gertruda Harder Parents:	20 Jan. 1890 1926	Rudnerweide, S. Russ. to	
(He was arrested in 1932 by the Communists, disappeared without trace.)			
5. Susanna W. Janzen	4 Aug. 1891	Podolsk, N. Sam. Rus.	3 Jan. 1908
6. Elisabeth W. Janzen	21 Mar. 1894	do	8 July 1894
7. Jacob W. Janzen	4 Aug. 1895	do	12 Nov. 1896
8. Eva W. Janzen Mennonite Gerhard Toews Parents:	5 Dec. 1896	do to	5 Oct. 1921
9. Heinrich W. Janzen Mennonite Sara Harder Parents:	21 Jan. 1898 Jan. 1922	do to	12 Apr. 1943
(Heinrich Janzen was drafted into the Russian Army and died. He left behind nine children.)			
(1) Abram H. Janzen, (Worked on the collective farm in 1954).			
(2) Peter H. Janzen, (In school in 10th grade in 1954).			
(3) Wolodja H. Janzen, (Was in 9th in 1954).			
(Other children not mentioned in last letter received from Peter W. Janzen's mother and sister, Helena Tessman).			

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
10. Helena W. Janzen Mennonite Johann Tessman (Was arrested by Reds and never heard from). Parents:	20 May 1900 1922	Poldolsk, N. Sam. Russ. to	
(1) Nelly Tessman (Works on a collective farm, last report 1954).			
(2) Daniel Tessman do	do	do do	
(3) Johann Tessman do	do	do do	
(4) Peter Tessman (Was in 10th grade in school in 1954).			
11. Sara W. Janzen	6 Nov. 1901	Podolsk, N..Sam. Russ.	10 Feb. 1954
II. SUSANNA SIEBERT Mennonite JACOB REIMER (This couple remained in Russia). Parents:	14 July 1864	Jadweninn, Pol. Russ. to	27 July 1903
1. Katharina Reimer, born in Russia			Died in Canada.
2. Peter Reimer do			do
3. Jacob Reimer do			do
III. HEINRICH SIEBERT Mennonite SARA LAMMERT Parents: John Lammert and Agatha Boshmann.	11 Dec. 1866 1892 4 July 1870	Jadwenin, Russ. Pol. to in So. Russia.	In Russ. 1940
1. John H. Siebert Mennonite Tina Schellenberg Parents: Franz Schellenberg and Katherine Braun.	15 Sep. 1893 11 Nov. 1925 28 July 1901	Bodolsk, N. Sam. Russ. to Blumenfeld, S. Russ.	
(1) John E. Siebert	8 Oct. 1926	Slawgorod, Russ.	379 Stevenson Rd., Sardis, B.C., Can.
(2) Selma Ann Siebert	21 Apr. 1929	Laird, Sask., Can.	
(3) Albert Siebert (Twins)	4 May 1935	Capasin, Sask., Can.	
(4) Frieda Siebert	4 May 1935	do	

Mr. John H. Siebert writes that he hasn't much information of his parents. They remained in Russia and he had not heard from them since 1932. At that time they were still all alive and well. His brother Benjamin, (No. 6), left Russia, coming thru Germany to Paraguay, South America. John further writes that he has married in Nov. 1925 and in Oct. 1926 they left Russia with an 8-day old baby to come to Saskatchewan, Canada where they homesteaded land in the north, living there for 14 years, when they moved to B. C. They have four healthy children, none yet married, but all working. He served in the Sanitary Corps in World War I for Russia for four years.

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
2. Heinrich Siebert Mennonite Eva Voth (No further information on this family.)	28 Aug. 1897 1921	Podolsk, N. Sam. Russ. to	
3. Tina H. Siebert	27 Feb. 1897	Podolsk, N. Sam. Russ.	
4. David H. Siebert	20 Jan. 1900	do do	
5. Jacob H. Siebert	6 Oct. 1901	do	
6. Benjamin H. Siebert Mennonite Lena Penner Parents:	6 Dec. 1904 1931	do to	Fernheim, Para., So. America (Gnadenheim)

(Benjamin and Lena were the first young couple to be married in the new settlement of Fernheim. No further information.)

7. Eva Siebert	24 Nov. 1905	Podolsk, N. Sam. Russ.
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(Below follows a short history and tribute of ANDREAS BENJAMIN SIEBERT, 4th son of BENJAMIN SIEBERT, SR. who was a son of ABRAHAM SIEBERT, written and sent in by Gerhard Fast, his son-in-law).

"Andreas Benjamin Siebert was for years a teacher in the school of Podolsk, Gouv. Samara, Russia. But as his family increased out of proportion to the remuneration he received as a teacher, he decided, after the death of his first wife, to go into business.

He went to Orenburg #6 where for two years he had a thriving business. Then he decided to move back to Podolsk and in 1909 came to Kleefeld, Gouv. Tomsk, Siberia to the Mennonite settlement there.

He became the village constable and held the office for nine years.

For a number of years he also was a regional judge and was always highly esteemed and respected by the whole settlement. His wives, Liese and Anna Schmidt, were sisters.

He died during World War II in 1940 in Kleefeld, Siberia in the selfsame house which he had built in 1909 of sod when he came there as a pioneer. It stood in the middle of the street in the center of the village across from the schoolhouse.

His sons John and Peter and all his daughters' husbands who lived in or near Kleefeld, were later arrested and exiled, having completely disappeared without trace. He is mentioned, and his picture appears in the latest book written by Gerhard Fast, (his son-in-law) In den Steppen Siberien's on page 32 and 48. (English title of the book, On the Steppe's of Siberia.)

(On the following page begins his family record)

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
IV. ANDREAS B. SIEBERT Mennonite	24 Feb. 1869 1891	Jadwenin, Poland. to	1940
1st: LIESE SCHMIDT Parents:	24 July 1870	Jekaterinoslaw, Russ.	1902
1. Maria Siebert Mennonite Kornelius Schmidt Parents:	20 Aug. 1894 22 Jan. 1913	Podolsk, Samara to	
(No further record available as they remained in Russia).			
2. Jakob Siebert (Unmarried)	1898	Podolsk,	(Died in Kleeefeld).
3. Elisabeth Siebert Mennonite Gerhard Fast, Jr. Parents: Gerhard Fast, Sr., and Maria Esau.	5 July 1900 5 Aug. 1917 10 Apr. 1894	Podolsk, N. Sam. to Lugowsk, Sam. Russ.	349 Oakland Av., Winnipeg 5, Man., Can.
(1) Gerhard Fast, III Mennonite Elfrieda Joh. Vieweg Parents:	30 Dec. 1918 4 Mar. 1944 20 Dec. 1923	Schoental, Siberia. in Germany to Leipzig, Germany	
a. Heinz-Gerhard Fast	8 Dec. 1944	Wernigerode, Germany	
b. Gertraud-Elis. Fast	24 Feb. 1947	do do	
c. Gerlinde Fast	2 Jan. 1951	Karlsruhe, do	
d. Rosemarie Fast	11 May 1954	St. Cathrines, Ont., Can.	
(2) Jacob Fast	20 Feb. 1920	Protassow, Siberia	6 Sep. 1920

The above family, #3 Gerhard and Elisabeth Siebert Fast, have had a very strenuous and dangerously exciting experience of their life and escape from Soviet Russia. He has written a book of his flight from the slave labor camp to which he was sentenced at Archangel, high up in the extreme northern part of Siberia.

Their home was in the new Mennonite settlement of Siberia when the revolution began. He had been a school teacher in the village as a young man, but as the Communist government extended its tentacles of control and regimentation into the realm of education, expecting the teachers to teach atheism and Communism, Mr. Fast felt it was wrong to compromise his conscience and gave up teaching. So after he married he decided to farm.

This proved to be a disappointing occupation also what with the government taking almost all their possessions, requisitioning most of their crops and livestock, besides levying usurious taxes, etc. So in 1929 he and family decided to go to Moscow, as so many others were doing, to apply for a pass to leave the country.

The Soviet officials, never in a hurry to accommodate anyone, had thousands of people waiting so all had to live and get along the best they could. No one knew what would happen next. From time to time people were arrested, questioned

by the police, and sometimes a few returned to their families in Moscow, but oftener they were never heard from.

In time Mr. Fast also was arrested and taken to headquarters, questioned, put in confinement, and later found guilty and sent to prison. After a while they decided to sentence him to 5 years' hard labor in the region of Archangelsk where he was put to work in the lumber industry of the Soviet government.

Here, as soon as he arrived, he noticed that into the harbor came ships of various nations of Europe to buy this lumber. He lost no time in scheming how to escape and carefully laid his plans.

After carefully considering all possibilities he made up his mind to get on a German vessel on which he succeeded in getting to England where it had to stop off. Here the authorities removed him but after explaining his situation to the English police, he succeeded in persuading them to let him go on to Germany.

In Germany he immediately applied for citizenship papers and within four years received them. In the meantime his wife and son had been sent from Moscow back to their home in Siberia. He finally got in touch with them, and was able as a citizen of Germany to demand that they send them there to him. How happy she and the boy were to be able to really get out of the Soviet clutches and join their husband and father in Germany.

While living in Germany he wrote a book about his life and his escape from Russia. It was out of print and the first edition sold out, but he has had it reprinted and it is available again. The title of it is: In the Shadow of Death, and is available from The Christian Press, Ltd., 159 Kelvin St., Winnipeg, Man., Canada. It is as thrilling as any novel or detective story anyone can read.

Their son, Gerhard III, went to school in Germany, studying engineering and is a graduate engineer. He also married there but now lives in Ontario. They consider themselves most fortunate to have escaped from the land of terror, sorrow and slavery.

(The family record continues below).

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| 4. Katharina Siebert | 24 Mar. 1902 | (Remained in Russia) |
| Mennonite | 1926 | in Kleefeld to |
| Heinrich Fast | | |
| Parents: Gerhard Fast, Sr. and Maria Esau. | | |
| ANDREAS B. SIEBERT | 1903 | in 2nd marriage at Orenburg to |
| 2nd: ANNA SCHMIDT | 22 May 1882 | Gouv. Jekaterinoslaw. |
| Parents: Kornelius Schmidt and . . . | | |
| 5. Johann Siebert | 1 Jan. 1904 | No. 6 Orenburg. (Was exiled) |
| 6. Peter Siebert | 9 June 1906 | do do do |
| Mennonite | Married at Schoental, Siberia to | |
| Justina Derksen (No further record available) | | |

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7. Anna Siebert Mennonite Johann Fast (Was exiled) Parents: Gerhard Fast, Sr. and Maria Esau. (No further record available).	Fall 1910 Nov. 1930	at Kleeefeld, Siberia to	
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8. Heinrich Siebert	24 Feb. 1912	Kleeefeld, Siberia	
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9. Eva Siebert Mennonite Cornelius Janzen	Nov. 1913 (Exiled 1937)	do to	do
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10. Aganeta Siebert Mennonite (Not known to whom)	25 Mar. 1915	Kleeefeld, Siberia to	
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11. Gertruda Siebert	1 Mar. 1915	Kleeefeld	
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12. Jakob Siebert	Feb. 1921	do	
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Note: Gerhard, Johann and Heinrich Fast were brothers.

VI. JAKOB B. SIEBERT Mennonite KATHARINA WALL Parents:	28 July 1875 4 Feb. 1901	Grossweide, Ukraine. to	1952
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(This family moved to Siberia in 1908, settled in the village of Kleeefeld which name is now changed to Krasnoje).

They had the following children:

1. Eva Siebert	3. Anna Siebert
2. Benjamin Siebert	4. Heinrich Siebert
5. Andreas Siebert	

(No further record available).

H. JOHANN SIEBERT	13 May 1839	Karolswalde, Pol.	8 July 1839
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I. MARIA A. SIEBERT (No further record available).	15 Oct. 1841	Karolswalde, Pol.
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This ends the record of the children of Great-grandfather, Abraham Siebert with his first wife Eva Jantzen. On the next page is continued the record of the rest of his family with his second wife.

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ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT 2nd: ANNA JANTZEN Mennonite, baptized by Benjamin Dirks on 1 Oct. 1823 in Karlswalde. Parent: Heinrich Jantzen and	18 June 1843 26 Apr. 1821	in 2nd marriage to Karolswalde, no doubt.	
J. HEINRICH A. SIEBERT	10 June 1844	Karolswalde, Pol. Russ.	24 Feb. 1848
K. CATHARINA A. SIEBERT Mennonite	19 Mar. 1847	Karolswalde, Pol. Russ.	
BENJAMIN SCHMIDT Parents: Peter Schmidt and	1 Apr. 1840	Russ. Poland	26 June 1927
I. HELENA SCHMIDT Chr. of New Jerusalem PETER D. SCHMIDT Parents: David Schmidt and Eva Becker.	11 Dec. 1865 25 Aug. 1889 4 Jan. 1868	Russ. Poland to Russ. Pol.	23 June 1940
1. Annie L. Schmidt Chr. of New Jerusalem Fred E. Dirks Parents: Tobias Dirks and Marie Wedel.	16 Oct. 1890 18 Dec. 1912 14 June . . .	Dundee, Kan. to	219 - 4th St., Larned, Kan.
(1) Otto Chester Dirks Chr. of N. Jerusalem Helen Neuforth Lutheran. Parents: Chas. Neuforth and Linda Fenn.	9 Nov. 1914 12 Dec. 1943 28 Apr. . .	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Heizer, Kan.	604 Clark St., Dodge City, Kan.
a. Fred Phillip Dirks b. Carl David Dirks c. Karen May Dirks	15 July 1944 5 Feb. 1951 25 Sep. 1952	Larned, Kan. do do Dodge City, Kan.	
(2) Lena Marie Dirks Chr. of N. Jerusalem Harry Fairchild Parents: W. H. Fairchild and Annie L. Heney.	13 Nov. 1915 11 Sep. 1943 8 Dec. . .	Pawnee Rk., Kan.. to Pawnee Co., Kan.	Larned, Kan. RFD
a. Annie M. Fairchild b. Janice E. Fairchild c. Steven H. Fairchild	26 Dec. 1944 26 May 1948 29 Dec. 1951	Larned, Kan. do do do do	
(3) Curtis Dirks Presbyterian Betty Rose Parents: Chas. N. Rose and Lola Dawson.	11 Aug. 1918 5 Apr. 1942 12 Oct. 1922	Pawnee Rk., Kans. to Cushing, Okla.	7438 Benery, Overland Park, Kan.
a. Pamela Gail Dirks b. Jackie Ray Dirks c. Linda Lou Dirks	7 July 1949 29 Dec. 1946 3 Sep. 1948	Kansas Oklahoma do	
2. Louis Edward Schmidt Protestant Lodie Wadel Parents: David Wadel and Lena Jantz.	19 June 1892 29 May 1914	Dundee, Kan. to	Greensbrug, Kan.

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(1) Virgil Lee Schmidt Prot. Velma Troyer Parents:	Apr. 1915 30 Dec. 1937	to	
a. Genevieve L. Schmidt	18 July 1938		
b. Chas. Eugene Schmidt	15 Dec. 1939		
c. Joyce A. Schmidt	21 May 1941		
d. Davis LeeRoy Schmidt	Mar. 1942		
e. Kenneth Lee Schmidt	25 Aug. 1944		
f. Carol Jean Schmidt	22 May 1946		
g. Alice Mae Schmidt	4 Nov. 1949		
h. Marvin Ray Schmidt	15 Aug. 1951		
i. Mark Stephen Schmidt	14 Feb. 1953		
(2) Cecil Edward Schmidt Protestant Mildred Zimmerman a. Ronald D. Schmidt	23 June 1916 15 July 1938 2 Feb. 1955	to Hortner, Kan.	
(3) Frank Vernon Schmidt Protestant Lela Hartman Parents:	2 Nov. 1918 1 Sep. 1945	to	
a. David Lee Schmidt	15 July 1946	Lima, Ohio	
b. Mary Joan Schmidt	18 July 1947	do	
c. Dennis V. Schmidt	13 Jan. 1949	do	
d. Elaine Rose Schmidt	1 June 1950	do	
(4) John Herold Schmidt Protestant Mabel Guengerich Parents:	17 Sep. 1920 25 Oct. 1953	to	
a. Joel H. Schmidt	14 Jan. 1955	Lebanon, Ore.	
(5) Lena Maxine Schmidt Protestant Lowell Good Parents:	6 Apr. 1922 20 Aug. 1948	to	
a. Robert Louis Good	10 Jan. 1951	Lima, Ohio	
b. RONALDA M. Good	16 Aug. 1952	do do	
(6) Geneva Mae Schmidt Protestant Beryl Spicer Parents:	18 Oct. 1923 25 May 1951	to	
a. Nathan Jane Spicer	6 Nov. 1952	Pratt, Kan.	
b. Doyle J. Spicer	28 Dec. 1952	do do	
(7) Melvin E. Schmidt Protestant Neva Marie Unruh Parents:	7 Dec. 1924 8 Feb. 1950	to	
a. James E. Schmidt	11 Feb. 1951	Pratt, Kan.	
b. Sheryl Kay Schmidt	3 Nov. 1952	Dodge City, Kan.	

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(8) James Lloyd Schmidt Protestant Gladys Philpott Parents:	7 Feb. 1926 2 Feb. 1947	to	
a. Phyllis E. Schmidt	27 Sep. 1947	Pratt, Kan.	
b. Roger Wayne Schmidt	11 Mar. 1951	do do	
(9) Merrill L. Schmidt Protestant Luanna Good Parents:	24 May 1927 20 Jan. 1950	to	
a. Fayann Marie Schmidt	29 July 1951	Lima, Ohio	
b. Nancy Jane Schmidt	11 Aug. 1952	do do	
c. Rebecca Joan Schmidt	18 Oct. 1954	do do	
(10) Chester A. Schmidt Protestant Rose Amelia Moore Parents:	17 June 1929 29 Oct. 1950	to	
a. Jaymie Lynn Schmidt	19 Dec. 1951	Pueblo, Colo.	
b. Amelia Ann Schmidt	28 Apr. 1953	Kalee, Texas	
c. Richard L. Schmidt	3 Jan. 1955	Greensburg, Kan.	
(11) Irvin Ray Schmidt Protestant Norma Ricketts Parents:	26 Aug. 1931 1 Oct. 1951	to	
a. Melinda K. Schmidt	9 Nov. 1952		
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3. Fred Arnold Schmidt Protestant Edith Wadel Parents: Andrew Wadel and Susie Dirks.	10 Sep. 1893 25 Feb. 1915	Dundee, Kan. to	12 June 1949
(1) Leland Schmidt Protestant Opal Kerrick Parents:	25 July 1916 21 Apr. 1941	to	Greensburg, Kan.
a. Sharon Ann Schmidt	19 Mar. 1943		
b. Merilee Rae Schmidt	Sep. 1948		
(2) Beuna Schmidt Protestant Paul Unruh Parents:	17 Apr. 1920 7 Aug. 1943	to	
(3) Ruby Schmidt Protestant LaVern Koehn Parents:	18 Feb. 1926 20 Nov. 1936	to	
a. Carole K. Koehn	16 Mar. 1948		
b. Darrell Leroy Koehn	24 Apr. 1951		

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(4) Marjorie Schmidt Protestant Dennis Unruh Parents: a. Bruce Arlin Unruh b. Donavon R. Unruh	28 May 1927 21 Dec. 1946 May 1948 14 Feb. 1953	to	
(5) Fred Schmidt, Jr. Protestant Peggy Rhodes Parents:	4 Apr. 1931 14 Jan. 1951	to	
4. Susie Vida Schmidt Chr. of New Jerusalem Ooze A. Siebert Parents: Abraham Siebert and Louise Mull.	28 Feb. 1896 3 May 1919 10 Jan. 1895	Dundee, Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	840 S. 5th St., Salina, Kan.
(1) William Dean Siebert Protestant Teresa L. Breault Catholic. Parents: a. Wm. Dale Siebert b. Cynthia Sue Siebert	5 Nov. 1924 8 Oct. 1948 15 Apr. 1929 Hector J. Breault and Rose Marie LaBranc. 3 July 1950 16 Sep. 1951	Larned, Kan. to do do	
(2) Shirley L. Siebert Presbyterian Harold E. Johnson Parents: Elmer L. Johnson and Anita M. Dandurand.	17 Aug. 1928 6 Oct. 1951 25 Oct. 1927	Hutchinson, Kan. to Salina, Kan.	
5. Chester A. Schmidt Protestant Florence H. Thorp Parents:	23 Nov. 1898 12 Nov. 1922	Dundee, Kan. to	Pawnee Rock, Kan.
(1) Chester L. Schmidt Protestant Willa Nairn Parents: a. Kenneth L. Schmidt b. Clinton A. Schmidt c. Chester R. Schmidt	22 Oct. 1924 29 July 1942 16 Nov. 1943 3 Oct. 1946 29 Sep. 1954	to	
(2) Peter Dale Schmidt Protestant Frances Welsh Parents: a. David Alan Schmidt	18 Sep. 1928 13 June 1953 14 Aug. 1954	Dundee, Kan. to	
(3) Lila Lee Schmidt Protestant Carl Gilpin Parents: a. Gayle Lynn Gilpin b. Linda Lee Gilpin	2 Mar. 1931 13 Jan. 1951 Feb. 1953 3 May 1954	Dundee, Kan. to	

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6. Alta Kath. Schmidt Protestant Gilbert Marteney Parents:	5 Sep. 1902 1 Sep. 1922	Dundee, Kan. to	48 Fairview, Hutchinson, Kan.
(1) Leonard E. Marteney Protestant Lena Frances Gibbons Parents:	23 Nov. 1923 30 Sep. 1943	to	
a. Richard W. Marteney	13 Feb. 1945		
b. Jacquelin K. Marteney	9 Nov. 1946		
c. Barbara J. Marteney	4 July 1952		
(2) Chas. Richard Marteney Protestant Lois Elaine Ukena Parents:	23 June 1925 4 Dec. 1946	to	
a. Judith Ann Marteney	8 Mar. 1949		
(3) James Kile Marteney	15 Dec. 1935		
(4) Laurene Sue Marteney	7 June 1942		
7. Benjamin Earl Schmidt Protestant Lillian Dring. Parents:	7 Aug. 1911 Nov. 1930	Dundee, Kan. to	2915 Meadowlark Lane, Great Bend, Kansas
(1) Peter Duane Schmidt			
(2) Dilly Dale Schmidt			
(3) Richard Wayne Schmidt			
II. ABRAHAM SCHMIDT Chr. of New Jerusalem Lena Wedel Parents: Jacob Wedel and Anna C. Jantz.	23 Nov. 1867 20 Sep. 1894 5 Jan. 1875	Russian Poland to Dundee, Kan.	11 Oct. 1952 28 July 1954
1. Mary Schmidt Presbyterian Virgil Collins Parents: Vance Collins and Kate Behrman.	4 May 1895 2 Aug. 1916 4 June 1895	Dundee, Kan. to Pike Co., Ind.	Bucklin, Kan.
(1) Neva Mabel Collins Protestant Joseph A. Koester Parents:	12 July 1917 30 May 1940	Greensburg, Kan. to	
(2) Everett E. Collins Protestant Virginia R. Holt Parents:	7 Jan. 1919 18 Sep. 1942	Greensbrug, Kan. to	

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2. Dora Schmidt Assembly of God.	29 Oct. 1896 12 Dec. 1916	Dundee, Kan. to	
1st: Amel W. Unruh Parents: William H. Unruh and Carolina Jantz.	23 Mar. 1893	McPherson, Kan.	18 Apr. 1950
(1) Clayton W. Unruh Protestant Ola Bee Beatty	21 Sep. 1917 31 July 1939	Greensburg, Kan. To	
a. Peggy Lou Unruh	3 May 1941	Russell, Kan.	1 Sep. 1941
b. Barbara Ann Unruh	18 Dec. 1946	Orlando, Fla.	
c. Chas. Allen Unruh	16 Sep. 1948	Gardena, Cal.	
d. Jimmy Wayne Unruh	14 June 1955	Compton, Cal.	
(2) Stanley Neal Unruh Protestant Shirley Durkee Parents.	7 May 1926 30 May 1954	Newton, Kan. to	
a. Laura Dawn Unruh	14 Jan. 1955	Compton, Cal.	
Mrs. Dora Schmidt Unruh	21 Apr. 1953	in 2nd marriage to	
2nd: Edgar Reed Parents: Garrett Reed and Maggie Smith.	28 Dec. 1887	Eddyville, Ky. Rt. 5 ElRiveno Rd., Riverside, Cal.	
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3. Victor Schmidt Protestant Katie Koehn Parents: Henry P. Koehn and Lena Wedel.	17 Apr. 1898 6 Apr. 1921 10 Mar. 1898	Dundee, Kan. to Galva, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan.
(1) Galen V. Schmidt Protestant Corrine Staley Parents:	26 June 1922 25 Oct. 1942	Greensburg, Kan. to	
(2) Elmer L. Schmidt Protestant Shirley Alton Parents:	2 July 1926 14 Apr. 1952	Greensburg, Kan. to	
(3) Melva Jean Schmidt	29 Sep. 1935	Greensburg, Kan.	
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4. Otis Schmidt Protestant Lorane Wedel Mennonite. Parents: Jacob A. Wedel and Eliz. Schmidt.	15 Mar. 1901 8 Oct. 1929 21 Feb. 1909	Dundee, Kan. to Meno, Okla.	Greensburg, Kan.
(1) Wayne L. Schmidt Methodist Nita Lou Baker Parents: Roderick H. Baker and Alzina Burditt.	22 Mar. 1933 21 Oct. 1951 6 Sep. 1932	Greensburg, Kan. Greensburg, Kan. to Wilmore, Kan.	
a. Brenda Sue Schmidt	9 Oct. 1954	Coldwater, Kan.	
b. Kay Lynne Schmidt	26 Sep. 1955	Greensburg, Kan.	

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(2) Mary Joanne Schmidt	29 Oct. 1935	Greensburg, Kan.	
5. Lincoln Schmidt Lutheran Helen Feige Parents: Emil Feige and Martha Schott.	17 May 1904 24 Mar. 1934 26 Jan. 1908	Dundee, Kan. to Berlin, Germany	1312 W. 162 nd St., Gardena, Cal.
(1) John Lincoln Schmidt Protestant Wanda Raye Hall Parents:	22 Jan. 1935 27 Jan. 1956	Dodge City, Kan. to	
6. Gladys Schmidt Christian Merlin E. Hulse Methodist. Parents: Lewis Hulse and Pearl Gerver.	22 Jan. 1912 23 Sep. 1935 19 Apr. 1912	Greensburg, Kan. to Matfield Green, Kan.	221 N. Gardner, Pratt, Kan.
(1) Merlin J. Hulse, Jr.	21 Aug. 1936	Greensburg, Kan.	24 Aug. 1936
(2) Neva Lee Hulse	11 Aug. 1939	do do	
(3) James Walter Hulse	16 Aug. 1941	do do	23 Aug. 1941
III. REV. JACOB B. SCHMIDT Mennonite Anna Schmidt Parents: David Schmidt and Eva Becker.	29 Dec. 1869 10 May 1896 10 Mar.	Russ. Poland to	3 May 1954

Reverend Jacob B. Schmidt was a minister of the Gospel I am submitting the following brief account and tribute graciously sent in by his daughter, Mrs. Esther Voth:

"Father was born in Karolswalde, Russian Poland, Dec1 29, 1869. In 1874 his parents and family migrated to America.

He attended Bible school at Halstead and Newton.

In 1896 on May 10th, he and Mother were married in the little stone church near Dundee. He taught Bible school in this stone church and later on he taught school in Dist. 48 for about four years.

In 1908 the Bergthal Mennonite Church of Pawnee Rock elected him as minister and two years later he was ordained. He preached in both German and English alternately.

Later on he was ordained as Elder of the Church. In 1949 he retired, having served over 39 years as pastor of this church. As Pastor Emeritus he kept on preaching off and on as strength and health permitted. His last sermon was preached on Christmas Day, December 25, 1953.

On New Year's Day, January 1, 1954, he became sick with a severe chest pain and entered the hospital at Larned. After 4 days he was well enough to come back to his home and lived by himself until a few days before he passed away on May 3, 1954, 6 A.M. at the age of 84 years, 4 months and 5 days. He is buried in the church cemetery at Pawnee Rock. How I miss him!"

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1. Paul Schmidt Protestant Pearl Pierce	19 Mar. 11 June	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	
2. Pauline Schmidt Mennonite Rev. William F. Unruh Parents: (1) Willie O. Unruh (2) Paul Unruh (3) Wesley Unruh Protestant Eleanor Bohn Parents: Rev. & Mrs. E. J. Bohn of Pandora, Ohio.	30 Aug. 1925	do to 24 Dec. 1957 to	
3. Esther Schmidt (twin) 1st Missionary Chr. Ben Voth Parents: Peter D. Voth and Helena Dirks. (1) Milton Voth Lutheran Pearl White Parents: George White and Nellie Truax. a. Larry Dan Voth b. Melvin LaVern Voth c. Chas. Eugene Voth (2) Willard Lee Voth (3) Clinton M. Voth (4) Benetta L. Voth Protestant Alvin Warkintin Parents: Jacob Warkentin and Anna Harms.	30 Oct. 1901 10 Aug. 1924 16 June 1901 25 May 1925 21 Nov. 1943 9 Dec. 1923 6 Jan. 1947 23 July 1948 11 Mar. 1950 31 July 1926 11 Aug. 1928 26 Mar. 1930 29 Oct. 1949 19 June 1926	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Meno, Okla. Larned, Kan. to Schuyler, Neb. Dodge City, Kan. do do Pawnee Rock, Kan. Larned, Kan. Spearville, Kan. to Montezuma, Kan.	805 Kelly St., Dodge City, Kan.
4. Edith Schmidt (twin) Protestant Brevton Richert Parents:	30 Oct. 1901 10 Aug. 1924	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	
5. Fred Schmidt (adpt) Protestant Velma Schultz	17 Mar. 17 Sep.	Greensburg, Kan. to	
IV. HENRY B. SCHMIDT	1871	Karolswald, Russ. Pol.	Age 2 mo.
V. FRED B. SCHMIDT Mennonite 1st: MATHILDA WEDEL Parents: David Wedel and Justina Decker	20 Jan. 1879 1894 24 Nov. 1878	Russ. Poland to Harvey Co., Kan.	10 Nov. 1955 9 June 1944

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1. Bertha Schmidt Mennonite Arthur Peaster Parents: John Peaster and Eva Jantz.	22 Aug. 1895 30 Oct. 1921 12 Aug. 1900	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Durham, Kan.	Dec. 1931
(1) Vida Wanita Peaster Christian Clifford Jantz Parents: John B. Jantz and Elizabeth Wedel.	1 Sep. 1922 18 May 1941 18 Mar. 1921	Greensburg, Kan. to Greensburg, Kan.	Canton, Kan. Box 632
(2) Ethel Mae Peaster Mennonite Paul Nachtigal Parents: Henry Nachtigal and . . .	24 Oct. 1923 13 Sep. 1947 20 Feb. 1924	Greensburg, Kan. to Inman, Kan.	Buhler, Kan.
a. Stephen P. Nachtigal b. Patricia S. Nachtigal c. Paul D. Nachtigal d. Sandra L. Nachtigal e. Donald R. Nachtigal	6 Sep. 1948 8 Oct. 1949 24 Apr. 1951 7 July 1952 10 Apr. 1955	McPherson, Kan. Newton, Kan. do do do do Hutchinson, Kan.	7 Mar. 1949
(3) Omagene Peaster Assembly of God Freddie Ryan Parents: John Ryun and Maude Harbon.	25 Jan. 1928 7 Dec. 1947 9 June 1926	Greensburg, Kan. to Wann, Okla.	1316 E. 8th St., Hutchinson, Kan.
a. Larry Eugene Ryan b. Terry Dean Ryan	15 Aug. 1948 12 Aug. 1951	Hutchinson, Kan. do do	
2. Minnie Schmidt Mennonite Walter T. Johnson Parents: Tobias B. Johnson and Lena Unruh.	26 Dec. 1897 6 Aug. 1922 19 Nov. 1898	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Greensburg, Kan. to Halstead, Kan.	
(1) Marvin F. Johnson	1 June 1923	Greensburg, Kan.	16 Mar. 1945
(2) Willard L. Johnson Methodist Norma Lee Bigbee Parents: Ray E. Bigbee and Esther I. Ferrin	4 Oct. 1925 21 Aug. 1949 24 Nov. 1929	do do to Coldwater, Kan.	Broken Bow, Neb. Rt. 2
a. Jodene R. Johnson b. Esther K. Johnson	23 Sep. 1951 20 Sep. 1954	Greensburg, Kan. do	
(3) Marjorie L. Johnson Protestant Elgin Hiebert Parents:	11 July 1929 7 Aug. 1953	do do to	Lewis Field Ap. 81, Hays, Kan.
(4) Mae L. Johnson	14 May 1931	Greensburg, Kan.	18 Sep. 1931
(5) Betty N. Johnson	25 Sep. 1937	do do	

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3. Edward Schmidt Mennonite Alice Schmidt Parents: Peter C. Schmidt and Anna Unruh.	20 Oct. 1900 25 Oct. 1927 18 Sep. 1908	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Syracuse, Kan.	Greensburg, Kansas
(1) Harold E. Schmidt Mennonite Sarah Kennedy Parents: William H. Kennedy and Louisa H. McMillian.	20 Dec. 1929 2 May 1954 28 Feb. 1933	Kiowa Co., Kan. to Wilmore, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan.
(2) Gene E. Schmidt	10 Jan. 1937	Kiowa Co., Kan.	
4. Frank F. Schmidt Mennonite Bernice Jantz Parents: Solomon B. Jantz and Katie Wadel.	18 June 1904 2 Nov. 1932 28 Jan. 1912	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Marion Co., Kan.	Greensburg, Kan. R. 1, Box 104
(1) Leo Gene Schmidt Mennonite Roma Garber Parents: Frank Garber and Christian Miller.	28 Dec. 1933 9 May 1954 18 Sep. 1933	Kansas to Hutchinson, Kan.	1317 $\frac{1}{2}$ Court St., Pueblo, Colo.
a. Laurel Denise Schmidt	21 Mar. 1955	Pueblo, Colo.	
(2) Harry Dean Schmidt	28 Aug. 1935	Kansas	
(3) Howard Wayne Schmidt	18 Oct. 1937	do	
(4) Linda Lou Schmidt	17 June 1945	do	
(5) Donald Ray Schmidt	16 Mar. 1948	do	
(6) Richard Lynn Schmidt	16 Dec. 1949	do	
5. Fred B. Schmidt Mennonite	31 July 1905	Pawnee, Rock, Kan.	June 1922
6. Harvey Schmidt Old Mennonite Beatrice Schmidt Parents: Cornelius T. Smith and Katie Unruh.	31 July 1906 5 Dec. 1931 27 Sep. 1913	do do do to Tyrone, Okla.	Greensburg, Kan.
(1) Kenneth H. Schmidt Protestant Phyllis Egli Parents:	25 Mar. 1932 17 Aug. 1955	Greensburg, Kan. to Manson, Iowa	
(2) Lee H. Schmidt	4 June 1935	Greensburg, Kan.	9 May 1952
(3) Judith Ann Schmidt	4 Jan. 1945	do do	

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7. Louise Schmidt Protestant Arthur Unruh Parents:	13 Nov. 1907 June 1931	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	July 1951
8. Pearl Schmidt Mennonite Willie Schmidt Parents: Peter C. Schmidt and Anna Unruh.	24 Oct. 1910 2 Aug. 1931 14 Dec. 1903	Greensburg, Kan. to Moundridge, Kan.	Mullinsville, Kan.
(1) Lavonna Mae Schmidt Protestant Harold E. Kilgore Parents:	21 May 1933 10 June 1951 13 Apr. 1930	Wilmore, Kan. to Mullinsville, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan.
a. Terry Eugene Kilgore	21 Aug. 1954	Pratt, Kan.	
(2) Ernest Rae Schmidt	1 July 1934	Greensburg, Kan.	
9. Grace Schmidt Mennonite Clarence Unruh Parents: Jacob P. Unruh and Susie Unruh.	22 Aug. 1916 July 1936 15 Jan. 1912	do do Kiowa Co., Kan.	do do Greensburg, Kan.
(1) Charles Dewain Unruh	24 Jan. 1937	Greensburg, Kan.	
(2) Carol Kay Unruh	9 Jan. 1941	do	
(3) Rachel P. Unruh	15 Sep. 1952	Kinsley, Kan.	
Fred B. Schmidt Laura Smith	27 June 1945	in 2nd marriage to	
VI. SUSAN SCHMIDT Mennonite JOHN A UNRUH Parents: Andrew Unruh and Anna Becker.	5 June 1876 20 Oct. 1899 16 July 1876	Kansas to Barton Co., Kan.	212 E. 6th St. Larned, Kan. 27 May 1939
1. Evelyn Margaret Unruh Christian Claude Wyman Parents: George H. Wyman and Dora A. Little.	26 Sep. 1898 28 Dec. 1918 17 June 1893	Barton Co., Kan. to Salem, Ind.	Radium, Kan.
(1) Howard Eldon Wyman Protestant Donnalee Valte Parents:	3 Oct. 1919	Larned, Kan. to	
a. Pamela Jane Wyman	19 May 1945		

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(2) Maurice Ray Wyman Protestant 1st: Waneta L. Pinkton Parents:	20 Sep. 1920 26 Jan. 1947	Larned, Kan. to	15 Mar. 1951
a. Brenda Kay Wyman b. Deborah Dee Wyman	4 Mar. 1949 12 Mar. 1951		
2nd: Maurice Ray Wyman Patty Brewer Parents:	6 Sep. 1951	in 2nd marriage to	
(3) Estelle Marie Wyman Protestant Taylor V. Tackett Parents:	3 Jan. 1922 27 Aug. 1943	Larned, Kan. to	
a. Linda Marie Tackett	1 Aug. 1954		
(4) Donald Elmo Wyman Protestant Daisy Marie Burson Parents:	19 Nov. 1923 19 Sep. 1947	Larned, Kan. to	
(5) Loren Glenn Wyman	26 Dec. 1924	Larned, Kan.	28 Dec. 1924
(6) Erma Irene Wyman Protestant Latimer Benj. Jones Parents:	4 Sep. 1926 23 June 1946	do do to	
a. Anita Anne Jones b. Cheryl Sue Jones c. Deborah Kay Jones	27 July 1947 11 Dec. 1950 1 July 1954		
(7) Arthur LeRoy Wyman Protestant Melda Elaine Bauer Parents:	8 July 1929 1 Sep. 1951	Larned, Kan. to	15 Aug. 1954
a. Dennis Dwight Wyman b. Diana Darlene Wyman	21 Nov. 1951 10 May 1954		10 Aug. 1954
(8) Virginia Sue Wyman Protestant Leslie Shaurer, Jr. Parents:	21 May 1932 10 Nov. 1953	Larned, Kan. to	
(9) Claude Wyman, Jr.	18 Sep. 1936	Larned, Kan.	

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2. Martha Irene Unruh Church of Brethren Virgil Jacob Hahn Parents:	7 Nov. 1899 9 Oct. 1927 15 Aug. 1891	Barton Co., Kan. to Great Bend, Kan.	
(1) Phyllis Irene Hahn Assembly of God Fredric Jon Hulse Parents:	10 Dec. 1928 4 Mar. 1949 11 July 1927	do do to Hutchinson, Kan.	
a. Denice Marie Hulse	1 Feb. 1950	Norton, Kan.	
(3) Iva Avalon Hahn Church of Brethren Robt. J. Edgington Parents:	5 May 1931 23 Sep. 1950 24 Dec. 1930	Great Bend, Kan. to Hutchinson, Kan.	
a. David W. Edgington b. Patricia D. Edgington	15 Aug. 1952 1 Nov. 1954	Hutchinson, Kan. do do	
3. Lee Henry Unruh Christian Ruth Lucile Warren Parents:	1 Mar. 1901 4 Nov. 1929 19 Dec. 1911	Great Bend, Kan. to Hutchinson, Kan.	
(1) Vera Lee Unruh Protestant Leo Theo. Dickson Parents:	30 Oct. 1930 12 June 1949 17 Mar. 1927	Springfield, Colo. to Ashland, Kan.	
a. Lynn Raymond Dickson b. Gary Dean Dickson	21 Oct. 1950 5 Feb. 1954	Manhattan, Kan. Colby, Kan.	
(2) Bobby Dale Unruh	20 Sep. 1943	Springfield, Colo.	
(3) Glen Marvin Unruh	2 June 1936	do do	
4. Bina Edna Unruh Congregational Albert C. Travis Parents:	5 July 1902 17 Oct. 1926 Feb. 1900	Stafford Co., Kan. to Claflin, Kan.	
(1) John Chas. Travis Protestant Betty Jean Rediger Parents:	6 Aug. 1927 1951 25 June 1930	Cheboygan, Mich. to Lafayette, Ind.	
a. David Jon Travis	2 Apr. 1953	Lafayette, Ind.	
(2) Richard Leroy Travis	15 Aug. 1931	Cheboygan, Mich.	

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5. Pearl Rose Unruh Christian Clayton Robt. Peck Parents: Ellis Peck and Ella Peck.	11 July 1905 21 Apr. 1934 26 Mar. 1902	Stafford Co., Kan. to Larned, Kan.	19 Apr. 1946
(1) Robert Ellis Peck Protestant Sharon June . . . Parents: a. Vesta Kay Peck	21 Mar. 1936 29 Apr. 1954 30 Dec. 1954	Larned, Kan. to Larned, Kan.	
(2) Max Allen Peck	4 Apr. 1939	do do	
6. Alice Dorothy Unruh Christian Lee Wm. Clarkson Baptist. Parents: Wm. Henry Clarkson and Elsie M. Numer.	10 Dec. 1906 20 June 1926 7 Jan. 1901	Stafford Co., Kan. to Redfield, Kan.	
(1) Shirley Ann Clarkson Protestant Wm. J. Blackburn, Jr. Parents: a. James Allen Blackburn b. Steven L. Blackburn c. Susan D. Blackburn	30 Sep. 1930 5 June. 1949 7 July 1950 30 Sep. 1951 11 Apr. 1954	Great Bend, Kan. to Great Bend, Kan. Larned, Kan. do do	
(2) Billy Lee Clarkson Protestant Betty Eugene Peoples Parents: a. Allen Lee Clarkson b. Gary Wayne Clarkson	25 Feb. 1932 25 Feb. 1952 19 June 1953 27 Nov. 1954	Great Bend, Kan. to Augusta, Ga. Kansas City, Mo.	
7. Ernest Wilbur Unruh Christian Gladys Marie White Parents: E. S. White and Mildred F. Carr.	7 Feb. 1910 22 Apr. 1931 7 June 1911	Stafford Co., Kan. to Offerle	
(1) Kenneth Donley Unruh	17 Jan. 1932	Larned, Kan.	
(2) Rodney Kline Unruh	11 Feb. 1934	do	
8. George Alvin Unruh Christian Katherine E. Healzer Parents: Willis E. Healzer and Clara M. Huenergardt.	1 Sep. 1911 20 Dec. 1952 9 Dec. 1920	Stafford Co., Kan. to LaCrosse, Kan.	
9. Vernon Arlie Unruh Methodist Velda Mae Broadbooks	1 Sep. 1913 26 Jan. 1936	Stafford Co., Kan. to Great Bend, Kan.	
(1) Janise Fay Unruh	4 May 1939	Larned, Kan.	
(2) Charlene May Unruh	21 Oct. 1941	do do	

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VII. EFFIE B. SCHMIDT Mennonite	4 Oct. 1878 25 Apr. 1900	Kansas to	Livingston, Cal. Rt. 2, Box 270
CORNELIUS J. UNRUH Parents: John Unruh and Anna Richert.	5 Oct. 1879	Moundridge, Kan.	30 July 1954
1. Katie E. Unruh Assembly of God Lesley Coates Parents: Jacob Coates and Fern Leslie.	19 Mar. 1901 27 Aug. 1922	Dundee, Kan. to Greensburg, Kan.	El Centro, Cal. PO Box 147 D
(1) Viola Ethel Coates Assembly of God William W. Zornes Parents: Wm. L. Zornes and Emma Hess.	2 Feb. 1924 27 Feb. 1945 12 Feb. 1920	Brighton, Colo. to Kincaid, Kan.	Imperial, Cal. PO Box 944
a. Wesley E. Zornes b. Virginia M. Zornes c. Kathleen M. Zornes	4 Feb. 1947 18 Sep. 1948 15 June 1951	San Diego, Cal. Brawley, Cal. do do	
(2) Marion LeRoy Coates	17 Sep. 1925	Hillsboro, Kan.	21 Sep. 1925
(3) Lois Pauline Coates Protestant Iva Cook Parents: Irvin Vedo Cook and Ora A. Robinson.	25 Oct. 1926 19 Sep. 1944 23 Oct. 1922	Newton, Kan. to Webster, Okla.	9144 E. Center St., Bellflower, Cal.
a. Beverly Jean Cook b. Linda Carol Cook	9 Mar. 1944 12 Mar. 1949	El Centro, Cal. Brawley, Cal.	
(4) Clifton E. Coates Assembly of God Loretta Denton Parents: Horace D. Denton and Agatha Tucker.	29 Jan. 1928 25 Apr. 1948 1 Aug. 1931	Marion, Kan. to El Centro, Cal.	761 Commercial El Centro, Cal.
a. Janice Marie Coates b. Karon Elaine Coates	12 July 1939 3 May 1951	Brawley, Cal. do do	
(5) Juanita Fay Coates Pentecostal Haskell Wilkerson Parents: Wesley R. Wilkerson and Flaura McKinzie.	22 Dec. 1929 18 July 1946 31 Mar. 1927	Wichita, Kan. to Seminole, Okla.	1540 Hornblend, San Diego, Cal.
a. Cathryn M. Wilkerson b. Elton D. Wilkerson	30 Dec. 1947 20 Jan. 1951	El Centro, Cal. Brawley, Cal.	
(6) Cledythe V. Coates Assembly of God Virgle Wilkerson Parents: Wesley R. Wilkerson and Flaura McKenzie.	24 Mar. 1933 12 Oct. 1950 15 Oct. 1924	Greensburg, Kan. to Wetumpka, Okla.	El Centro, Cal. Rt. 1, Box 147
a. Larry W. Wilkerson b. Paul Milton Wilkerson	16 June 1952 17 Sep. 1954	Brawley, Cal.	

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(7) Kathryn K. Coates Assembly of God Paul Perguson Parents: Walter Perguson and Goldia Davis.	1 Oct. 1934 14 June 1950 22 Oct.	Greensburg, Kan. to Henrietta, Okla.	908 $\frac{1}{2}$ S.Tir Av., Inglewood, Cal.
a. Shirley A. Perguson b. Kathryn P. Perguson c. Russell D. Perguson	5 Oct. 1951 6 Dec. 1952 2 Dec. 1954	Brawley, Cal. do do Calexico, Cal.	
(8) Barbara L. Coates	18 Mar. 1936	Greensburg, Kan.	
2. Ida Unruh Church of God Dave Koehn Parents: Henry T. Koehn and Mary Unruh.	8 Apr. 1902 9 Jan. 1924 4 Mar. 1896	Dundee, Kan. to Moundridge, Kan.	Delhi, Cal. Rt. 1, Box 200
(1) Margaret N. Koehn Church of God Harold D. Adams Parents: Wm. D. Adams and Josie Storey.	7 Jan. 1926 6 Jan. 1945 28 Sep. 1925	Halstead, Kan. to Atwater, Cal.	Atwater, Calif., Rt. 1, Box 219
a. Donna Jean Adams b. Richard G. Adams	11 Oct. 1945 14 Jan. 1948	Merced, Cal. Turlock, Cal.	
3. Dora D. Unruh Church of God Rudolph Becker Parents: John J. Becker and Effie Unruh.	14 Aug. 1903 9 Jan. 1924 27 Aug. 1898	Galva, Kan. to Halstead, Kan.	Modesto, Cal. 2244 Meto, Ct.,
(1) Kenneth E. Becker Church of God Vella Vee Green Parents: Irvin C. Green and Helen J. Cannan.	25 Apr. 1926 4 Oct. 1952 23 Sep. 1927	Halstead, Kan. to Selma, Cal.	
a. Kevin Eugene Becker	26 Apr. 1954	Long Beach, Cal.	
(2) Dorothy L. Becker Church of God Chester Lee David Parents: Cornelius David and Mary Gaylor.	28 Oct. 1929 30 Sep. 1947 12 Aug. 1923	Wichita, Kan. to Eureka Spgs., Ark.	Delhi, Calif. Rt. 1, Box 201
a. Donna Sue David b. Johnny Neal David c. Carole D. David d. Joyce Ann David	17 Oct. 1948 9 Nov. 1949 20 Nov. 1950 22 Feb. 1953	Cassville, Mo. Turlock, Cal. do do do do	18 Feb. 1950
4. John W. Unruh Protestant Esther Unruh Parents:	11 Dec. 1904	Galva, Kan. to	410 Grant, Greensburg, Kan.

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5. Ina Irene Unruh Church of God Dave Unruh Parents: Jacob C. Unruh and Effie Unruh.	22 Oct. 1906 1 Mar. 1930 10 Jan. 1906	Johnson City, Kan. to Moundridge, Kan.	Deerfield, Kan.
(1) David Leroy Unruh Church of God Gladys Irene Crane Parents: John V. Crane and Jennie M. Vallentine.	24 Feb. 1931 18 Sep. 1953 14 Jan. 1931	Garden City, Kan. to Ashland, Kan.	Deerfield, Kan.
a. Roger Wayne Unruh	17 Aug. 1954	Garden City, Kan.	
(2) Virginia Myrtle Unruh Christian Eugene E. Warner Parents: Leo I. Warner and Fanhy R. Mohler.	10 Nov. 1932 15 July 1951 2 Aug. 1933	do do do to Dodge City, Kan.	1409 B. Ricks, Amarillo, Tex.
a. Michael Jay Warner	21 June 1953	Wichita Falls, Tex.	
b. Mark Allen Warner	27 Jan. 1955	Amarillo, Tex.	
(3) Harold Dean Unruh	27 Aug. 1934	Fayetteville, Ark.	
(4) Marjorie Lou Unruh	22 Apr. 1938	Garden City, Kan.	
6. Lena R. Unruh Mennonite Jacob Koehn Parents: Henry Koehn and Mary Unruh.	13 June 1908 1 Sep. 1934 9 Dec. 1901	Johnson City, Kan. to Newton, Kan.	Livingston, Cal., PO Box 84
(1) Norma Jean Koehn	29 June 1936	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) Clifford Dewayne Koehn	18 Feb. 1938	do do	
7. Anna L. Unruh (1st wife) Assembly of God William W. Burchett Parents: Benj. F. Burchett and Quintie Graham.	4 June 1910 Nov. 1930 14 June 1907	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Thronip, Ark.	5 May 1948
(1) Raymond Burchett Protestant Margie Gray Parents: Harris A. Gray and Gracie Shaw.	4 June 1931 30 Oct. 1950 22 Jan. 1931	Garden City, Kan. to Spiro, Okla.	
a. Denise Burchett	30 July 1951		
b. Danny Burchett	26 Aug. 1953		
(2) Vernon Burchett	13 Oct. 1932	Garden City, Kan.	
(3) Paul Burchett	16 Mar. 1935	Greensburg, Kan.	
(4) Shirley Burchett	2 Feb. 1937	Greensburg, Kan.	
(5) Melvin Burchett	9 Sep. 1939	Merced, Cal.	
(6) Janice Burchett	4 Oct. 1941	Turlock, Cal.	

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8. Ruben F. Unruh	19 May 1913	Greensburg, Kan.	
9. Frieda L. Unruh Lutheran	13 Apr. 1915 16 Apr. 1932	do do to	Livingston, Cal. Box 243
Albert H. Bohling	2 Oct. 1906	Meade, Kan.	
Parents: John Bohling and Lulu Schumaker.			
(1) Dale Lee Bohling Lutheran	29 Nov. 1933 10 Apr. 1951	Dodge City, Kan. to	Milpitas, Cal. Gen'l Del.
Marla Mae Fritz	3 May 1934	St. Paul, Minn.	
Rom. Cath. Marriage-date	9 June 1951		
Parents: Joseph M. Fritz and Florence Chytracek.			
a. Dianna Lee Bohling	30 Mar. 1952	Turlock, Cal.	
b. Marilyn Bohling	20 Apr. 1955	do do	
(2) Joyce D. Bohling Lutheran	23 Aug. 1936 26 Sep. 1953	Meade, Kan. to	1401 E. 21st St., Merced, Cal.
Roy Louis Harding	3 Feb. 1930	Berclair, Tex.	
Parents: Earl Harding and Ada Dial.			
a. Debra Joanne Harding	15 Mar. 1955	Turlock, Cal.	
(3) Duane Larry Bohling	6 Feb. 1939	Meade, Kan.	
(4) Gary Dean Bohling	16 Jan. 1941	do do	
10. Wilma E. Unruh Church of God	3 Nov. 1916 4 Nov. 1937	Greensburg, Kan. to	4910 Maple, Wichita, Kan.
Floyd F. Fisk	14 Oct. 1914	Wichita, Kan.	
Parents: Robert Fisk and Nora White.			
(1) James Lee Fisk	12 Apr. 1939	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) Beverly Kay Fisk	10 Oct. 1942	do do	
(3) Donald Eugene Fisk	4 July 1950	do do	
11. Ezra Roy Unruh	29 May 1918	Greensburg, Kan.	13 Oct. 1941
12. Leona Velma Unruh Mission Covenant	19 Feb. 1920 26 Apr. 1939	do do to	Irwin, Calif.
James Clayton Johnson	25 July 1914	Houston, Ark.	
Parents: James M. Johnson and Francis D. Reed.			
(1) James Ronald Johnson	4 Jan. 1940	Merced, Cal.	
(2) Chas. Edwin Johnson	24 Jan. 1941	do do	
(3) Charlene R. Johnson	7 Mar. 1950	Turlock, Cal.	
13. Viola Rowene Unruh Mission Covenant	9 May 1922 17 Jan. 1942	Greensburg, Kan. to	Livingston, Cal. PO Box 164
John Carson Groom	2 Dec. 1919	Livingston, Cal.	
Parents: John Groom and Abigail Carson.			

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(1) Sandra Lee Groom	30 June 1946	Turlock, Cal.	
14. Mae Lucile Unruh	9 May 1924	Greensburg, Kan.	Livingston, Cal.
Church of God	15 June 1942	to	PO Box 98
Leslie M. Cromwell	9 Feb. 1917	Heber Spgs., Ark.	
Parents: Fred S. Cromwell and Mary Warner.			
(1) Calvin Ray Cromwell	25 Jan. 1946	Turlock, Cal.	
(2) Letha R. Cromwell	22 Aug. 1948	do do	
(3) Leslie G. Cromwell	31 Oct. 1951	do do	
VIII. NETTIE SCHMIDT	4 Feb. 1881	Dundee, Kan.	
Mennonite	17 Dec. 1902	to	
CORNELIUS DIRKS	24 Oct. 1881	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
Parents: Jacob Dirks and Susie Unruh.			
1. Marion Dirks	13 Nov. 1903	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan.
Mennonite	14 Nov. 1926	to	
Lydia Johnson	14 Sep. 1904	Ringwood, Okla.	
Parents: Abraham J. Johnson and Helena Thomas.			
(1) Alsine Joyce Dirks	17 June 1929	Coldwater, Kan.	
Protestant	5 Aug. 1950	to	
Merlyn G. Ely	24 June 1930		
Parents: Ralph Ely and Mernie Holcomb.			
a. Linda Irene Ely	8 Feb. 1951		
b. Candace Renee' Ely	16 Aug. 1953		
(2) Arlene Mae Dirks	25 Mar. 1932	Coldwater, Kan.	
Protestant	20 Nov. 1951	to	
Earl Lavern Minks			
Parents:			
a. Diane Lavon Minks	20 Mar. 1953		
b. Ricky M. Minks	14 Aug. 1954		
(3) Marlene Faye Dirks	30 June 1939	Coldwater, Kan.	
2. Alice Dirks	15 Feb. 1905	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	15 Mar. 1905
3. Willie Dirks	23 Mar. 1905	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan.
Protestant	24 Nov. 1928	to	
Viola Smith	22 June 1909	Kansas	
Parents: Cornelius T. Smith and Katie Unruh.			
(1) Keith Dirks	5 Oct. 1931	Mullinville, Kan.	
Protestant	1 June 1952	to	
Betty Jo Booth	16 Apr. 1933	Coldwater, Kan.	
Parents: Lester Booth and Elena G. Thompson.			
a. Teresa Sue Dirks	19 Feb. 1954		

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4. Beuna Dirks Mennonite Moses H. Voth Parents: Cornelius R. Voth and Anna Banman.	16 Nov. 1907 6 June 1933 14 Apr. 1903	Greensburg, Kan. to Goessel, Kan.	1105 N. 9th St., Independence, Kan.
(1) Vionetta P. Voth	25 Nov. 1936	Goessel, Kan.	
(2) Marvin Eugene Voth	14 Oct. 1945	Independence, Kan.	
5. Anna Dirks Mennonite James Koehn Parents: Jonathan Koehn and Fanny Jantz.	15 Oct. 1909 12 Aug. 1932 31 Aug. 1908	Greensburg, Kan. to Isabel, Okla.	Greensburg, Kan. Rt. 1
(1) Ronald Koehn	2 June 1937	Greensburg, Kan.	
(2) Arden Koehn	5 Feb. 1946	do do	
6. Helen Dirks Mennonite Otis Unruh Parents: Jacob Unruh and Susie Unruh.	21 Jan. 1913 7 Aug. 1938 6 June 1913	Greensburg, Kan. to Wilmore, Kan.	Wilmore, Kan. Rt.
(1) Dale Unruh	19 Dec. 1940	Coldwater, Kan.	
(2) Kathleen Unruh	10 Aug. 1943	do do	
IX. JOHN B. SCHMIDT Assembly of God Elizabeth Schroeder Parents: Henry P. Schroeder and Anna Unruh	18 Apr. 1883 4 Dec. 1907 20 Nov. 1886	Great Bend, Kan. to Lehigh, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan.
1. Frank Henry Schmidt Friends 1st: Lucile Fahlsing Parents: Lewis Fahlsing and Minnie Quasebarth.	21 Sep. 1908 20 Dec. 1935 18 Mar. 1910	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Kinsley, Kan.	Haviland, Kan.
(1) Florence L. Schmidt	26 Oct. 1937	Greensburg, Kan.	
(2) Katherine E. Schmidt	23 Mar. 1942	do do	
(3) Evelyn J. Schmidt	15 May 1945	do do	
2nd: Myrtle Lyon Parents: Rodney Lyon and Etta Ullery.	Frank Henry Schmidt 20 July 1952 22 Feb. 1915	in 2nd marriage to	
2. Beulah Hazel Schmidt Mennonite Clarence E. Garrison Parents: Clarence E. Garrison and Audie Claborn.	26 July 1911 18 Dec. 1947 18 Dec. 1917	Greensburg, Kan. to Mansfield, Ark.	786 Elm Ave., San Bruno, Cal.

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3. Margaret Ruth Schmidt	6 May 1915	Greensburg, Kan.	
4. Eliz. Pearl Schmidt Protestant Clarence E. Cook Parents: Wm. H. Cook and Alice Hartzog.	22 June 1917 May 1945 11 Nov. 1897	do do to Competition, Mo.	Syracuse, Kan.
(1) Carolyn Kay Cook	20 Dec. 1945	Syracuse, Kan.	
(2) Peggy Jane Cook	29 Mar. 1947	Wichita, Kan.	
(3) Linda Lou Cook	6 May 1949	Syracuse, Kan.	
(4) Nina Bea Cook	16 Jan. 1953	do do	
5. John Earl Schmidt Mennonite Luella Waneta Schmidt Parents: Ely Schmidt and Mary Redger.	22 June 1917 9 July 1940 7 June 1920	Greensburg, Kan. to Greensburg, Kan.	Turpin, Okla.
(1) James Ray Schmidt	24 Nov. 1941	Greensburg, Kan.	
(2) Mary Ann Schmidt	26 Dec. 1943	Larned, Kan.	
(3) Donna Faye Schmidt	16 Oct. 1948	Beaver, Okla.	
X. KATIE SCHMIDT Mennonite HENRY H. SCHROEDER Parents: Henry H. Schroeder, Sr. and Anna Unruh.	28 Apr. 1885 25 Oct. 1905 3 July 1882	Great Bend, Kan. to in Russia	511 Odell St., Great Bend, Kan.
1. Edna Mae Schroeder Mennonite Chris W. Ruhe Lutheran. Parents: Christopher Ruhe and Christina Franke.	30 July 1908 23 Mar. 1930 25 Nov. 1875	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Cincinnati, Ohio	902 Holland, Great Bend, Kan.
(1) Wilma Jean Ruhe Protestant Louis M. Poland Parents:	23 Mar. 1931 16 Sep. 1951	Great Bend, Kan. to	
a. Kenneth Poland	7 Feb. 1953		
b. Sheila Poland	7 Dec. 1955		
(2) Joyce Elaine Ruhe Protestant Jack Hall Parents:	12 May. 1934 28 June 1954	Great Bend, Kan. to	
a. Donna Hall	29 Oct. 1954		

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(3) Shirley Kay Ruhe Protestant Jim Phillips Parents: a. Chris Ruhe Phillips	15 Apr. 1936 29 Dec. 1954	Great Bend, Kan. to	
2. Harvey W. Schroeder Mennonite Mary Eliz. Phillips Parents: Herman J. Phillips and Dorothy M. Southards.	18 Feb. 1910 30 Aug. 1942 26 May 1926	Great Bend, Kan. to St. John, Kan. M. Southards.	1501 S. Santa Fe, Wichita, Kan.
(1) Raymond H. Schroeder (2) Charles K. Schroeder	10 Aug. 1946 7 Sep. 1953	Great Bend, Kan. Wichita, Kan.	
3. John F. Schroeder Mennonite 1st: Lucille Lowrey Parents:	14 Aug. 1912 5 May 1952	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	Great Bend, Kan. Rt. 4
(1) Karla K. Schroeder (2) John L. Schroeder Mr. John F. Schroeder 2nd: Donna Y. Skinner	1 Sep. 1943 12 Aug. 1946 5 May 1952 21 Sep. 1934	Lyons, Kan. do do in 2nd marriage to Barton Co., Kan.	
(3) Nancy O. Schroeder (4) James F. Schroeder	14 Nov. 1952 7 Sep. 1955	Great Bend, Kan. do do do	
4. Helen M. Schroeder Christian Fred Melvin Olds Parents: Geo. Benj. Olds and Martha Dixon Axtell.	1 Dec. 1913 31 Dec. 1933 27 Aug. 1910	Great Bend, Kan. to Beaumont, Tex.	Mrs. F.M. Olds, Lyons, Kan.
(1) Melvin Geo. Olds (2) Katherine Jane Olds	17 June 1937 30 Dec. 1940	Lyons, Kan. do do	
5. Esther R. Schroeder Ey. United Breth. Ben Baker Thrasher Parents: Robt. C. Thrasher and Lou Clayburn.	5 Nov 1915 17 Apr. 1936 30 May 1901	Great Bend, Kan. to Albany, Ken.	Mrs. B.B. Thrasher, 421 West B, Hutchinson, Kan.
(1) Karen L. Thrasher (2) Gary Wayne Thrasher (3) Clifford L. Thrasher (4) Linda Sue Thrasher (5) Cheryl D. Thrasher (6) Carolyn J. Thrasher	1 July 1938 4 Sep. 1939 12 Feb. 1942 19 Aug. 1946 2 July 1948 6 Aug. 1951	Great Bend, Kan. do do Corpus Christi, Tex. Great Bend, Kan. do do Hutchinson, Kan.	

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(7) M. Gayle Thrasher	18 Oct. 1953	Hutchinson, Kan.	
6. Doris Viola Schroeder Baptist J.W. Pipkin, Jr. Parents: J. W. Pipkin, Sr. and Birdie Burdeson.	10 Aug. 1917 29 Nov. 1937 23 July 1917	Great Bend, Kan. to Flogdada, Tex.	Mrs. J.W. Pipkin, Brownfield, Tex. 607 N. Bell,
(1) Saundra Gwen Pipkin	8 Dec. 1940	Denver City, Tex.	
(2) Jas. Douglas Pipkin	7 May 1946	Newman, Calif.	
7. Opal M. Schroeder Christian Jos. Frederick Denney Parents: C. W. Denney and Hattie Webster.	30 Oct. 1918 28 July 1937 16 July 1917	Great Bend, Kan. to Utica, Kan.	Mrs. J.F. Denney, 2535 - 7th, Great Ben, Kan. Jos. Frederick Denney died 5 June 1955.
(1) Jerry Fr. Denney	29 June 1940	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Constance J. Denney	24 Oct. 1943	do do	
8. Myron Henry Schroeder Protestant Mary Ann Hopkins Parents: Walter F. Hopkins and Tennie A. Huggins.	26 Feb. 1920 1 Dec. 1946 14 Aug. 1928	Great Bend, Kan. to Davenport, Okla.	Turlock, Calif. PO Box 166
9. Edmond Lee Schroeder Mennonite Vernita Harmon Baptist. Parents: Luther Harmon and	21 Sep. 1921 Sep. 1944	Great Bend, Kan. to	1909 Holland, Great Bend, Kan.
(1) Leonard Lee Schroeder	28 Apr. 1943	Great Bend, Kan.	
10. Ethel Leona Schroeder Mennonite Hersie G. Dills Parents: Clyde Dills and Alma Arnold.	14 Dec. 1922 30 Jan. 1923	Great Bend, Kan. to Texas	
(1) Judy Ann Dills	17 May 1943	Lyons, Kan.	
(2) Billie Dills	5 Jan. 1947	Oakland, Calif.	
11. Howard Glen Schroeder Protestant 2nd: Joyce Guthrie Parents: Gilbert W. Guthrie and Edith E. Evans.	17 Aug. 1925 1 Dec. 1953 29 Aug.	Great Bent, Kan. to Garfield, Kan.	523 LaCiede, Wichita, Kan.
(1) Eddie H. Schroeder	July 1948	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) Charlotte Ann Schroeder 1st wife: Tina Stair - - (Divorced)	June 1949	do do	

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12. Alice Jean Schroeder Protestant Calvin C. Metz Parents: Frank C. Metz and Genevieve S. Smith	27 Mar. 1927 15 Jan. 1945 2 June 1925	Great Bend, Kan. to Eaton Rapids, Mich.	
13. Willard W. Schroeder Protestant Darlene Mae Lawrence Parents: Wm. Norris Lawrence and Margaret Mary Karle.	26 Jan. 1929 16 Jul. 1949 3 Jan. 1933	Great Bend, Kan. to Wichita, Kansas	1112 Mannell Wichita, Kan.
14. Bethel Lavern Schroeder Mennonite (Unmarried)	9 Dec. 1930	Great Bend, Kan.	PO Box 166 Turlock, Calif.
XI. EDNA SCHMIDT Mennonite Charles Cooper Parents: Oliver P. Cooper and Mrs. Ella Baker.	4 Oct. 1887 30 Jan. 1940	Great Bend, Kan. to Arkansas	Mrs. Chas. Cooper Greensburg, Kan.
XII. FRANK SCHMIDT Assembly of God Susie Johnson Parents: Tobias Johnson and Helena Unruh.	23 Nov. 1891 21 June 1916 16 Sep. 1895	Great Bend, Kan. to Halstead, Kan.	Livingston, Cal. PO Box 242
1. Elsie Marie Schmidt Assembly of God W. W. Burchett Parents: Benj. Franklin Burchett and Quintie Graham.	13 Apr. 1917 30 Jan. 1949 14 June 1907	Greensburg, Kan. to Throny, Ark.	Merced, Calif. Rt. 1, Box 316
2. Nettie May Schmidt Assembly of God Melvin Peterson Parents: John Peterson and Alfreda Melgren.	19 May 1918 29 Dec. 1951 3 Jul. 1910	Greensburg, Kan. to Bloom, Kan.	Livingston, Cal. PO Box 342
(1) Ronald G. Peterson	24 Nov. 1952	Turlock, Cal.	
3. Chester F. Schmidt Protestant Vinita Bartman Parents: Roy Bartman and Gladys Allison.	30 Aug. 1919 5 June 1949 4 Feb. 1931	Greensburg, Kan. to Kinsley, Kan.	Greensburg, Kan. Route 2
(1) Sandra Marie Schmidt	11 Feb. 1950	Greensburg, Kan.	
(2) Steven Frank Schmidt	20 Mar. 1954	do do	
4. Elna Gale Schmidt Assembly of God Rev. Clifford Ward Parents: Richard F. Ward and Rhoda Tennyson.	13 Feb. 1922 15 Mar. 1942 12 Mar. 1922	Greensburg, Kan. to Ruter, Mo.	Holly, Colo. PO Box 283
(1) Esther Ruth Ward	1 Feb. 1943	Greensburg, Kan.	
(2) Martha Lois Ward	1 Sep. 1944	Trinidad, Colo.	

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(3) Shirley Joan Ward	19 Jan. 1947	Greensburg, Kan.	
(4) Paul Daniel Ward	27 Feb. 1948	San Pedro, Cal.	
(5) Clifford James Ward	7 Sep. 1949	Anaheim, Cal.	
5. Willard M. Schmidt	3 Feb. 1927	Greensburg, Kan.	
6. Clifford J. Schmidt	1 June 1931	Greensburg, Kan.	19 Sep. 1934
7. Joan Ruth Schmidt	18 May 1934	Greensburg, Kan.	28 Aug. 1936

As is evident from the preceding record, the Catharina Siebert-Benjamin Schmidt family has a huge posterity.

Of their family of twelve children, eleven grew to maturity, married, and nearly all had large families; two of them Effie and Katie had 14 children each, all of which grew to maturity. That is indeed a remarkable record.

I take the liberty to quote from Katie's letter as follows:

"I live all alone now. It is lonely as can be, but there are thousands just like me. Children will come in to visit a while or maybe eat a meal with me but not all of them can come. They are too far away.

I do have a nice bunch. I have no deaths yet. My good husband went first, saying he was ready. I lost a son-in-law but no children or grandchildren as yet. It is wonderful. My oldest sister, Lena is 90 years young. Mother died at 72. Father was 87. What a record we have!

My husband was one out of a million. He was quiet, hard working, did not drink, smoke or use bad language. Home every night. He never gave me a scolding and never kept things from me. He was as near perfect as they come. Why would I not miss him like I do."

(Signed) Katie Schroeder

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L. AGANETHA A. SIEBERT	26 Aug. 1849	Karolswald, Poland	29 July 1916
Mennonite bap. 24 Mar. 1861	18 May 1869	to	
ABRAHAM DIRKS	17 May 1846	Jadwenin, Poland	3 Nov. 1922
Mennonite bap. 24 Mar. 1861	Parents: Heinrich Dirks and . . .	?	
I. LENA DIRKS	26 Apr. 1871	Ostrog, Wolh. Poland	15 Nov. 1953
Mennonite	23 Feb. 1896	to	
Peter D. Voth	16 July 1868	Russ. Poland	26 Nov. 1939
Parents: David Voth and . . . Jantz.			
1. Elizabeth Voth	28 Apr. 1899	Meno, Okla.	5 Feb. 1931
Mennonite	28 Feb. 1926	to	
Jacob Penner, Sr.	20 May 1890	Ukraine, S. Russia	Hillsboro, Kan.
Parents: Gerhard Penner and Anna Giesbrecht.			
(1) Peter Penner	28 Apr. 1927	Montezuma, Kan. 7535	Hacienda Dr.
Mennonite	. . . . .	to	El Paso, Tex.
Margie Schmidt	10 Sep. 1927		
Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Ben B. Schmidt			
(2) Jacob Penner, Jr.	16 Oct. 1928	Montezuma, Kan.	10 Apr. 1955
2. Benjamin Voth	16 June 1901	Meno, Okla.	805 Kelly
1st Missionary	10 Aug. 1924	to	Dodge City, Kan.
Esther Schmidt	30 Aug. 1901	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
Mennonite Parents: Rev. J. B. Schmidt and Anna Schmidt.			
(1) Milton LaVerne Voth	26 May 1925	Larned, Kan.	
Lutheran	21 Nov. 1943	to	
Pearl White	9 Dec. 1923	Schuyler, Neb.	
Parents: George White and Nellie Truax.			
a. Larry Dean Voth	6 Jan. 1947	Dodge City, Kan.	
b. Melvin LaV. Voth	23 July 1948	do do	
c. Charles Eugene Voth	11 Mar. 1950	do do	
(2) Willard Lee Voth	31 July 1926	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
(3) Clinton M. Voth	11 Aug. 1928	Larned, Kan.	
(4) Benetta Lorraine Voth	26 Mar. 1930	Spearville, Kan.	
Protestant	29 Oct. 1949	to	
Alvin Warkentin	19 June 1926	Montezuma, Kan.	
Parents: Jacob Warkentin and Anna Harms.			
a. Connie S. Warkentin	17 Dec. 1950	Dodge City, Kan.	
b. Randall N. Warkentin	17 Dec. 1952	do do do	
c. Candace K. Warkentin	26 Feb. 1955	do do do	
(5) MaDella Kath. Voth	11 June 1932	Cimarron, Kan.	
Protestant	28 Nov. 1950	to	
Otis Thomas	15 Sep. 1927	Bartlesville, Okla.	
Parents: Floyd Thomas and Beatrice Potter.			

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
a. Danny Leroy Thomas	3 July 1951	Dodge City, Kan.	
b. Benny Eug. Thomas	4 Aug. 1954	do do do	
(6) LeAnna Doreen Voth	18 Apr. 1934	Cimarron, Kan.	
Protestant	26 Oct. 1950	to	
Roy Kreger	22 May 1928	Spearville, Kan.	
Parents: Theo. Edwin Kreger and Mildred Hemphill.			
a. Debra Ann Kreger	1 Dec. 1953	Dodge City, Kan.	
(7) Lois Eleanor Voth	1 June 1936	Cimarron, Kan.	
(8) Jacob Ben Voth	8 Oct. 1937	do do	
(9) Vernon Paul Voth	4 Mar. 1941	do do	
3. Frank Voth	26 Jan. 1903	Meno, Okla.	Montezuma, Kn.
Mennonite	15 Nov. 1934	to	Box 137
Lillie Unruh	17 Aug. 1911	McPherson, Kan.	
Parents: Abe T. Unruh and Ida Rich.			
(1) Frank Lynn Voth	19 July 1937	Montezuma, Kan.	
4. Jacob Voth	12 Oct. 1904	Meno, Okla.	Montezuma, Kan.
Protestant	19 Sep. 1936	to	
Lulu May Unruh	20 Apr. 1917	Montezuma, Kan.	
Chr. of N. Jer. Parents: Elmer Unruh and Amanda Koehn.			
(1) Carol Kay Voth	12 May 1937	Montezuma, Kan.	
5. Henry Voth	12 Sep. 1906	Meno, Okla.	Montezuma, Kan.
Protestant	6 Dec. 1945	to	
Lillian Nightengale	24 Nov. 1921	Montezuma, Kan.	
Mennonite Parents: Andrew J. Nightengale and Mary Wedel.			
(1) Allen J. Voth	26 Jan. 1950	Dodge City, Kan.	
(2) Richard G. Voth	27 July 1932	do do do	
6. Albert Voth	11 June 1908	Meno, Okla.	Montezuma, Kan.
Protestant	27 Jan. 1932	to	
Emma Unruh	4 May 1915	Las Animas, Colo.	
Parents: Abe T. Unruh and Ida Rich.			
(1) Donnetta Louise Voth	26 May 1935	Dodge City, Kan.	
(2) Ferris Galen Voth	22 May 1940	do do do	22 May 1940
(3) Elbert Elroy Voth, Jr.	22 Jan. 1943	do do do	
7. Grace Voth	4 Mar. 1910	Meno, Okla.	Pierceville, Kan.
Protestant	6 July 1940	to	
James Ellis Woodrow	14 July 1906	Mt. Hope, Kan.	
Parents: Simeon Woodrow and Ora B. Tyler.			

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
8. Herman Voth	11 Sep. 1911	Meno, Okla.	27 Feb. 1913
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II. JACOB A. DIRKS	8 Apr. 1876	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	27 Oct. 1955
Mennonite (Bergtal)	5 Dec. 1900	to	
Carolina Ratzlaff	17 Jan. 1880	Halstead, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan.
Parents: Bernhard Ratzlaff and Helena Unruh.			Route 1
1. Chester Dirks	21 Oct. 1901	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Dodge City, Kan.
Mennonite	10 Sep. 1944	to	Box 811
Mrs. Emma Rose Sullivan	7 Sep. 1907	Elmore City, Okla.	
Baptist: Parents: William A. Rose and Sarah Ann Francis.			
Step-daughter:			
(1) Jocile Sullivan	8 Dec. 1927	Shawnee, Okla.	
married	27 Nov. 1945	to	
Andrew Hansarik			
a. Joe Dell Hansarik	21 Aug. 1947	Great Bend, Kan.	
b. Andrea Gale Hansarik	13 Apr. 1950	do do do	
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2. Harvey Dirks	17 Oct. 1902	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan.
Mennonite (Bergtal)	18 Aug. 1926	to	
Ella Schultz	14 June 1904	Great Bend, Kan.	
Parents: Samuel C. Schultz and Elizabeth Unruh.			
(1) Leon Dean Dirks	3 May 1927	Great Bend, Kan.	29 June 1952
(2) Homer Ray Dirks	10 Sep. 1933	to do do	
Patricia Ann Hoffman	19 Oct. 1957	Father Henry J. Hoffman.	
(3) Beverly Ann Dirks	17 Feb. 1940	do do	
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3. Dan Dirks	30 Mar. 1905	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Dodge City, Kan.
Protestant	27 Oct. 1926	to	Box 1002
Helen Deckert	5 Sep. 1908	Syracuse, Kan.	24 Apr. 1949
Parents: John Deckert and Ethel Baldwin.			
(1) Loren Wayne Dirks	2 May 1928	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	302 King St.
Mennonite	14 Feb. 1948	to	Dodge City, Kan.
Maxine Wilma Wooden	17 Jan. 1929	Ingalls, Kan.	
Parents: Lee Wooden and Florence Brubaker.			
a. Sheilia Marie Dirks	3 Sep. 1948	Dodge City, Kan.	
b. Rochelle S. Dirks	12 Oct. 1950	do do do	
c. Danny Lee Dirks	17 Apr. 1952	do do do	
(2) Loanna Janice Dirks	17 Mar. 1934	Larned, Kan.	
(3) Alan Laverne Dirks	29 Feb. 1944	Dodge City, Kan.	
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4. Mae Leona Dirks	24 Nov. 1909	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Great Bend, Kan.
Mennonite	18 May 1950	to	Box 55
Steve Anderson	2 Sep. 1902	Bloomington, Ill.	
Parents: John K. Anderson and Georgia Anderson.			

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5. Fern Hazel Dirks Mennonite (Bergtal) Oliver Smith Parents: Gerhart Smith and Susie Schultz.	27 July 1912 25 Sep. 1935 3 Oct. 1910	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Pawnee Rock Kan.
(1) Cory Don Smith	13 Nov. 1940	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Barbara Gale Smith	2 Oct. 1944	do do	
(3) Doyle Rayvon Smith	10 Nov. 1945	do do	
6. Mattie Mildred Dirks Nazarene Harry Smith Parents: David T. Smith and Agnes Schmidt.	1 Nov. 1913 10 Nov. 1937 10 Sep. 1914	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Dundee, Kan.	1223 Jackson St. Great Bend, Kan.
(1) DeWayne Smith	10 Apr. 1941	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Darrell Dean Smith	23 Feb. 1946	do do	
(3) Debra Kay Smith	31 Dec. 1954	do	
7. Roy Raymond Dirks Protestant Mary Kingston Catholic. Parents: Francis J. Kingston and Ada Taylor.	18 Dec. 1916 17 Mar. 1946 4 Nov. 1948	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Hoisington, Kan.	2212 Adams St. Great Bend, Kan.
(1) Kenneth Dirks	6 July 1947	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) Glen Edward Dirks	21 June 1949	Great Bend, Kan. (twin)	
(3) Gene Francis Dirks	21 June 1949	do do (twin)	
8. Evelyn Marie Dirks	14 July 1918	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
III. ELIZABETH DIRKS Married Glasco (No information)		Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	Cimarron, Kan.
IV. ANNA DIRKS Mennonite (Bergtal) Jacob J. Unruh Parents: John Unruh and Anna Richert.	16 Nov. 1882 20 Nov. 1901 8 Jan. 1881	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to McPherson, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Route 1 23 Mar. 1956
1. Mabel Unruh	1 Oct. 1902	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
2. Alvena Unruh	21 Apr. 1906	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
3. Gladys Unruh Mennonite (Bergtal) Harry Rudiger Parents: Peter Rudiger and Effie Unruh.	8 Sep. 1908 8 May 1929 25 Nov. 1901	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Great Bend, Kan.	Great Bend, Kan. R.F.D.

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(1) Veloris O. Rudiger Mennonite Robt. Delbert Boese Parents: Rudolph L. Boese and Emma Rudiger	17 Apr. 1931 28 Oct. 1954 2 Oct. 1926	Great Bend, Kan. to Kansas City, Mo.	
(2) Velmar Loren Rudiger Mennonite Anna Mae Becker Parents:	8 Oct. 1932 19 Mar. 1955	Great Bend, Kan. to	
(3) Marlene F. Rudiger	26 May 1934	Great Bend, Kan.	
(4) Milton Lee Rudiger	28 May 1938	do do	
(5) Joan Carol Rudiger	24 Sep. 1942	do do	
(6) Norman D. Rudiger	10 May 1946	do do	Stillborn
(7) Eldo Gayle Rudiger	5 Nov. 1947	do do	
4. Harvey Unruh Protestant Geneva Unruh Parents: John Unruh and Ella Schmidt.	3 Aug. 1910	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	Pawnee Rock Kan.
5. Evalena Unruh Baptist Elmer Unruh Parents: John Unruh and Ella Schmidt	25 Mar. 1913 18 Sep. 1938 16 Nov. 1915	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Protection, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
(1) Kathleen Unruh	2 Sep. 1941	Ashland, Kan.	
6. Laura Mae Unruh Mennonite (Bergtal) Vern Freeburg Parents:	8 Apr. 1916 1941 16 Sep. 1916	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to McPherson, Kan.	Pawnee Rock Kan.
(1) Sandra B. Freeburg	19 Mar. 1942	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Patricia J. Freeburg	5 Oct. 1945	do do	
7. LaVerne Jay Unruh Mennonite (Bergtal) Lois Unruh Parents: Frank G. Unruh and Carrie Unruh.	28 Dec. 1919 26 Nov. 1941 1 July 1921	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Larned, Kan. Route
(1) Gary Lynn Unruh	4 May 1947	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Lyone11 Ray Unruh	18 May 1950	do do	
(3) Vir1on Neal Unruh	15 Apr. 1952	Larned, Kan.	

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8. John Homer Unruh Mennonite (Bergtal) Carolyn Lutschg Methodist. Parents: Willis Lutschg and	6 Nov. 1922 23 Aug. 1954 26 July 1935 Dora F. Purrse1.	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Great Bend, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan. R.F.D.
V. JOHN DIRKS Mennonite (Bergtal) Laura Unruh Parents: Tobias G. Unruh and Eva Schmidt.	14 Mar. 1885 18 Oct. 1910 5 June 1886	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Great Bend, Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Route 1 Box 2
1. Eugene L. Dirks Protestant Helen Wiley Parents: Rev. J. P. Wiley and Lola Garner.	27 May 1918 9 Mar. 1940 20 Mar. 1918	Copeland, Kan. to Waldorf, Md.	
(1) Vicki Gay Dirks	25 Aug. 1943	Wichita, Kan.	
(2) Cheryl Gene Dirks	31 May 1948	do do	
VI. NATHAN DIRKS Mennonite (Bergtal) Lena Unruh Parents: Tobias G. Unruh and Eva Schmidt.	23 Jan. 1888 7 Jan. 1914 28 June 1888	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to do	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Route 1 do
1. Virginia Dirks	4 Jan. 1915	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	15 Aug. 1916
2. Infant Dirks	14 July 1916	do do	14 July 1916
3. Cecil A. Dirks	22 Sep. 1917	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
4. Bernard B. Dirks Congregational Georgia Eliz. Sell Parents: George W. Sell and Ethel Smith.	2 June 1920 29 Oct. 1945 5 Nov. 1921	do to Albert, Kan.	do 1649 N. Glendale Wichita 14, Kan.
(1) Virginia Marie Dirks	14 Sep. 1946	Great Bend, Kan.	
5. Wilbur W. Dirks	6 Jan. 1923	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	21 July 1924
6. Alene Dirks Methodist Richard E. Givens Parents: Virgil Givens and Eileen Williams.	25 June 1925 5 May 1946 29 Sep. 1920	do to Yoder, Kan.	do 109 E. Main Neodesha, Kan.
(1) Sherree Jo Givens	27 May 1948	Great Bend, Kan.	
VII. MAE DIRKS Protestant . . . Eskam Parents:		Great Bend, Kan. to	Mrs. Mae Eskam Cimarron, Kan.

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M. HELENA A. SIEBERT Mennonite Rev. JACOB KOEHN Parents:	14 May 1852	Russ. Poland to Russ. Poland	1919 1887
I. BENJAMIN KOEHN Mennonite Susie Boese Parents: Jacob Boese and . . .	20 Oct. 1870 20 July 1891 9 June 1875	Russ. Poland, Karols- to walde. Dunlap, Penn.	20 Oct. 1940 22 Oct. 1950
1. Lawrence Koehn Mennonite Martha Schultz Parents: Christian Schultz and Helena Rudiger.	11 May 1892 28 May 1913 13 Jan. 1893	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	Pawnee Rock, Kan.
(1) Galen Koehn Protestant Martha Wiens Parents:	2 May 1915 30 May 1940	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	
(2) Elizabeth Koehn	26 Oct. 1916	do	do
(3) Leona Koehn Protestant Ralph Killian Parents:	15 Oct. 1920 9 June 1945	do to	do Deceased
(4) Earl Koehn Christian Louise Duerksen Parents:	10 Nov. 1921 Sep. 1950	do to	do
2. Edward Koehn Christian Bertha Zumalt Nazarene. Parents: Henry Zumalt and	28 Sep. 1893 4 Jan. 1930 1 Feb. 1908		Diamond, Mo.
(1) Raymond Lee Koehn Nazarene Doris Rosser Parents: Moses P. Rosser and Dorothy E. Wells.	18 Aug. 1930 24 Nov. 1949 21 June 1930	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Conway, Mich.	4047 Hunter Rd. Flint 4, Mich.
a. Barbara Rae Koehn b. Betty Mae Koehn c. Linda June Koehn	6 Apr. 1951 24 Oct. 1952 22 Sep. 1954	Owasso, Mich. Great Bend, Kan. Flint, Mich.	
(2) Shirley Ann Koehn	5 Feb. 1937	Great Bend, Kan.	
3: Lena Koehn Protestant Thomas J. Knight Parents: Thomas J. Knight and Nancy Jane Moore.	11 July 1897 3 Nov. 1920 30 Dec. 1894	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Larned, Kan.	2400 Santa Clara Las Vegas, Nev.
4. Susie Koehn Methodist Adolph Jantz Parents: Henry C. Jantz and Anna Deckert.	5 Dec. 1898 30 Sep. 1918 12 Nov. 1893	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Dundee, Kan.	703 E. 3rd St. Larned, Kan.

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(1) Dorothy Jantz Protestant Cliff Schurmann Parents:	17 May 1925 18 Aug. 1946	Larned, Kan. (twin) to	
(2) Dorrace Jantz Protestant Dean Dirks Parents:	17 May 1925 9 June 1946	Larned, Kan. (twin) to	
(3) Bruce Merle Jantz Protestant Barbara Harris Parents:	12 Jan. 1927 24 Aug. 1952	Larned, Kan. to	
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5. Golda Koehn New Jerusalem Carl Unruh Parents: August B. Unruh and Lena Base.	14 Sep. 1900 14 Feb. 1896	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to do	Rt. 6 Box 794 Battle Creek Michigan
(1) Marvin D. Unruh Protestant Mavis E. Symonds Parents: Percival L. Symonds and Edith R. Deacon.	19 July 1922 7 Mar. 1945 18 Oct. 1924	Pawnee Rock, Kan. Gt. Yarmouth, England	528 Jean Ln. Battle Creek Michigan
a. Lynette Mary Unruh b. James Marvin Unruh c. Steven Darrell Unruh	1 Oct. 1945 22 June 1947 8 June 1951	Hunstanton, England Battle Creek, Mich. do	
(2) Gayle Harlan Unruh Protestant Margaret Westveer Parents: Claude R. Westveer and Mildred M. Knaus.	8 Feb. 1926 1 June 1947 9 Jan. 1927	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Battle Creek, Mich.	7705-63" Ave. Battle Creek Michigan
a. Joan Marie Unruh b. Dawn Rachelle Unruh c. Janice Kay Unruh d. Daniel Alan Unruh	13 Aug. 1948 14 Nov. 1951 30 Nov. 1952 24 Dec. 1955	Battle Creek, Mich. do do do	
(3) Donnabelle Unruh Congregational D. E. Clingenpeel Parents: Harvey Lee Clingenpeel and Eva Mae Clingenpeel.	13 Mar. 1928 25 Nov. 1947 19 Feb. 1926	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Muncie, Ind.	Rt 1 Flanders Rd. Mystic, Conn.
a. Michael K. Clingenpeel b. Scott E. Clingenpeel c. Rick E. Clingenpeel d. Donald E. Clingenpeel	10 Jan. 1945 19 Oct. 1949 15 Jan. 1951 5 Mar. 1953	Battle Creek, Mich. Key West, Florida do New London, Conn.	
(4) Larry Bert Unruh	9 June 1930	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
(5) Rodney Ray Unruh	15 July 1938	Battle Creek, Mich.	

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6. Alvena Koehn Protestant William Mull Parents:	1902	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	Zarah Dr. Great Bend, Kan.
7. Harvey Koehn Christian Lillian Fast Parents: Henry Fast and Susan Jantz.	26 July 1904 10 Jan. 1924 25 Nov. 1906	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Munich, N. Dak.	2710 E. 92 St. Great Bend, Kan.
(1) Eleanor Jane Koehn Christian Charles Proctor Parents: Chas. A. Proctor and Hazel McNeil.	8 Aug. 1925 19 Mar. 1949 26 Oct. 1919	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Dillsworth, Okla.	2163 S. Old Main Wichita, Kan.
a. Jeffrey Chas. Proctor	8 Dec. 1954	Kansas City, Mo.	
(2) Virginia Lee Koehn Protestant Ray P. Carter, Jr. Parents: Ray P. Carter, Sr. and Cora E. Shook.	6 July 1927 29 Mar. 1946 6 Nov. 1925	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Wichita, Kan.	316 W. Market Enid, Okla.
a. Stephen Craig Carter	14 Jan. 1948	Wichita, Kan.	
b. Michael Kent Carter	12 Sep. 1949	do do	
(3) Sandra Kay Koehn	14 July 1937	Great Bend, Kan.	
(4) Connie Lynn Koehn	9 July 1940	do do	
8. Opal Koehn Christian 1st: Howard Knight Parents:	19 Feb. 1908	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	East 8th St. Larned, Kan.
(1) Jerry L'Dean Knight Mrs. Opal Koehn Knight 2nd: Charles Stroble Parents: (Catholic) Michael Stroble and Alice Weldon.	1 Oct. 1934 6 May 1940 3 Mar. 1906	Larned, Kan. to Seward, Kan.	
9. Evelyn Koehn Bahai Faith Vernon E. Huffman Parents: Jacob F. Huffman and	3 Jan. 1911 4 Oct. 1929 9 Apr. 1906	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Sylvia, Kan.	Anchorage, Alaska Box 857
(1) Jack V. Huffman Chr. Science Chr. Nancy V. Simpson Parents: Robt. L. Simpson and Winifred M. Osmun.	18 Mar. 1931 25 Apr. 1953 15 Oct. 1931	Larned, Kan. to Hilo, Hawaii	
a. Marjorie Ann Huffman	14 June 1954	Kodiak, Alaska	
(2) Mary Sue Huffman	1 Aug. 1937	Iola, Kan.	

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10. Fern Koehn Protestant Harold Kerns Parents		Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	702 E. 8th St. Larned, Kan.
11. Gladys Koehn Christian Chr. Myron Hungate Parents: Marion L. Hungate and Grace Standish.	2 May 1913 14 Apr. 1933 23 Feb. 1907	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Salem, Ind.	204 E. 13th St. Larned, Kan.
(1) Myron Jehu Hungate	16 Feb. 1941	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Kathleen Rae Hungate	14 Oct. 1946	do do	
12. Norma Koehn Methodist Jerry Archer Parents: Chas. K. Archer and Anna Bird	21 Mar. 1915 2 Sep. 1913	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Albert, Kan.	Hanston, Kan.
(1) Mona Gayle Archer	15 Oct. 1938	Great Bend, Kan.	
(2) Craig Koehn Archer	21 May 1943	do do	
(3) Brian Lee Archer	29 Nov. 1950	Spearville, Kan.	
N. HEINRICH A SIEBERT	15 Jan. 1855	Russian Poland	19 Mar. 1855
O. EVA A. SIEBERT Mennonite Daniel B. Unruh Parents: Benjamin Unruh and Susie A. Unruh.	29 Mar. 1856 22 Feb. 1859	Russian Poland to Russian Poland	6 Feb. 1933 31 Aug. 1941
I. HELEN REGINA UNRUH Mennonite August H. Base Parents: Henry Boese and Helena Jantz.	20 Oct. 1884 30 Apr. 1902 16 Apr. 1882	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Mrs. Lena Base Pawnee Rock, Kan. Route 1 Box 67
1. Edith Eva Base Mennonite Lamont Smith Parents: George Smith and Susie C. Schultz.	21 June 1903 15 Dec. 1926 17 Aug. 1905	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	Larned, Kan. Route 1 Box 28
(1) Zola Doreen Smith Mennonite Elbert Esau Parents: Edward Esau and Clara Cath. Claassen.	11 Oct. 1927 21 June 1953 9 Feb. 1926	Larned, Kan. to	This couple did mis- sionary work in Greece.
a. Clarith Ann Esau b.	10 June 1954	Salonika, Greece	

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(2) Durward Lee Smith Mennonite Mary E. Ewert Parents:	21 Oct. 1928 19 Aug. 1951	Larned, Kan. to	
a. Brenda Kay Smith	20 Mar. 1954		
(3) Edwin Gene Smith	8 Apr. 1930	Larned, Kan.	
(4) Marylin Faye Smith	6 Apr. 1934	do do	
2. Elmer Base	20 June 1906	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	20 June 1906
3. Leo Wesley Base New Jerusalem Evelyn Unruh Parents: Herman Unruh and Lucinda Rudiger.	24 July 1907 14 Oct. 1931 8 Oct. 1912	do do do to Barton Co., Kan.	do Great Bend, Kan.
(1) Larry Lee Base Protestant Viola Marie Malson Parents:	21 Aug. 1932 1 Jan. 1930	Great Bend, Kan. to	
(2) Carolyn Ann Base	24 June 1934	Great Bend, Kan.	
(3) Betty Lou Base	19 Nov. 1938	do do do	
(4) Stephen Wesley Base	6 June 1944	do do do	
4. Lavina Esther Base Church of New Jerusalem Frank Wedel Parents: Benj. D. Wedel and Emma Unruh.	21 Nov. 1909 19 Dec. 1902	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to Barton Co., Kan.	Larned, Kan. Box 37
5. Edward Everett Base Protestant 1st: Violet Mae Jarvis 2nd: Louise Stice (Married)	30 July 1912 30 July 22 June 19.. 13 May 1950	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to (Divorced)	
6. Vernon Alden Base	29 Mar. 1915	Pawnee Rock, Kan.	
7. Luelma Base Church of New Jerusalem Frank Hejney Parents: Adam Hejney and Clara Hanzlick.	19 Nov. 1916 22 May 1938 1 May 1905	do do do to Pawnee Rock, Kan.	Otis, Kan. Route 1 Box 142
(1) Gary Dean Hejney	15 Mar. 1949	Kansas City, Mo.	
8. Daniel John Base Protestant Nancy Maude Barker Parents: Clarence Barker and Eva Hart.	3 Mar. 1919 3 Nov. 1942 25 Aug. 1923	Pawnee Rock, Kan. to	
(1) Jerry Wayne Base	20 July 1943	Larned Kan.	

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(2) Barbara Sue Base	6 Oct. 1944	Larned, Kan.	
(3) Sharon Kay Base	1 Jan. 1948	Great Bend, Kan.	
(4) Donald Ray Base	28 Jan 1951	do do do	
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P. ELSKE (ELIZABETH) SIEBERT	11 Mar. 1860	Russ. Poland	3 Dec. 1862
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OTHER BRANCH OF SIEBERT,

namely:

JACOB J. SIEBERT, JR. son of

JACOB SIEBERT, SR., son of ADRIAN SIEWERT,

a resident of Montauerweide, a village in the Vistula River Valley in Poland. This village along with other Polish villages was taken over by Prussia in 1772 and that year the Prussian government took a census of the population. Hence, the name of Adrian Siewert appears in the census record of the village of Montauerweide as a resident. The names of two other Sieberts also are included in this village census, namely; Abraham Siebert, a weaver, and Hans Siebert. What relation they were to Adrian, if any, is not known.

JACOB J. SIEBERT, Jr., as will be seen by the diagram, was a brother to ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT, and these are the progenitors of the two lines of Sieberts given here.

He married the widow, Mrs. Benjamin Unruh, nee Maria Buller, who had two sons by her first husband, Andrew and Benjamin Unruh. Together Jacob and Maria had seven children. They came to America in 1874, sailing over in the ship, "City of London". At the time all their children were married and had families, except the youngest daughter, Katherine. They settled with the colony at Dundee, Kansas, where they lived until they passed away and are buried in the pioneer cemetery there.

This line of the Siebert family is the older one, but since some of the branches have been given in other family genealogies into which they married, and since I was not able to trace many of the others, I thought it best to just arrange an appendix to this record.

This does not mean that they are less important for of this family line came the Rev. Abraham J. Siebert, son of the above, who played a most important role in the migration of the Polish Mennonites, and I would be remiss in my duty if I did not include a few words of tribute to one whose service to his fellow man was so great.

From what I could learn, he was the pastor of the Gruental congregation in Poland, a village near Karolswalde. He married Eva, a daughter of the Rev. Peter Unruh whom he succeeded in the ministry.

He was a man of better than average education so it was natural that Elder Tobias A. Unruh, who was the leader of the entire Polish group of Mennonites, depended on him a great deal for help in the colossal undertaking of transporting the large groups of people from all the villages of Poland to America. While most of them wished to leave a few wished to stay, and quite a few others decided it would be to their advantage to move deeper into Russia, even as far as the southeastern province of Turkestan.

Thus, the first thing to do was to take a census of those who wanted to come to America. Each family had to be contacted, their names, ages and other data written down. Visas and passes had to be applied for at the seat of government of Russia, for Poland at that time was a vassal state. Transportation by rail had to be arranged from a station in Poland to Hamburg, Germany, from whence they embarked on ships for the ocean voyage; the shipping lines of Europe had to be contacted. All this called for a tremendous amount of correspondence which fell to the lot of Abraham Siebert. It can be said to his credit that he did a noble job of it.

Many of the families were poor, desperately poor, and arrangements had to be made for their passage fare for no one who wanted to go was to be denied the privilege. Many of those who were able were willing to help the poor ones, orphans, etc. The money, documents and other valuables had to be safeguarded. For this he used a chest measuring about 2ft. by 15 by 15 inches which was an heirloom of the family. He had been asked to take charge of a group whom he guided over. Into this chest were deposited the valuables and in great secrecy it was given to a young lad to carry, for the first part of the journey had to be made by foot or wagon to the railroad station and there was great danger of

being attacked by roving robber bands which waylaid and robbed emigrants. Thereby suspicion towards him would be diverted as such a young person in their minds would not be entrusted with valuables. This handmade chest is quite an item in what we have in the way of tangible evidence of ancestry. It has the date "1830" carved on it and was 12 years old when Abraham was born. But what is more significant was his "writing kit", a small wooden box with cover, with sectional spaces inside for pen and pencil, ink and blotter, the size of which is about 12x3x2 inches. This really is an heirloom for on one side it has the name, "Adrian Siewert" and on the other the date, "1730" carved on it. This was passed down from father to oldest son each generation. These items, as well as others, are in the possession of Mrs. Martha Moffett-Marshall, his daughter.

His group was one of the first contingents to leave and they made the journey without incident. Some of the later groups had a lot of trouble, encountering storms which resulted in damage to their ship which had to be docked in London for repairs. In the meantime small-pox broke out among the passengers and they were quarantined. Also another misfortune was the death on this ship of Mrs. Henry Buller, nee Eva Unruh, who was buried in London. She was the grandmother of Rev. Abraham Siebert.

After arriving in America he had the responsibility of guiding his group to their destination at Dundee, Kansas, and looking after their welfare. He represented them as agent to the Santa Fe Railroad which had sponsored their passage and which furnished box cars in which to live that first winter. He helped them in their dealings with the railroad and government to buy land and in every way to provide the implements and household items necessary for life. All the immigrants suffered great hardships the first year or two. If it had not been for the charity of the eastern Mennonites who aided them in every way they could many more would have perished. There were no forests here for lumber and fuel and it had to be shipped from Michigan for building. All these tasks and many more fell to his lot which made it necessary for him to be away from home and family much of the time.

He shepherded them along for three years and then decided they could get along without him as the colony had been established and stabilized. He and his family traveled by wagon to South Dakota where for a time they lived in the Loretta settlement. However, he had a desire to live where there was timber such as he had been used to in Poland so he loaded up again and moved to Petoskey, Michigan where he acquired a farm and lived until his death. They are both buried in the Mennonite cemetery at Brutus, Mich. Among his personal effects was found this sentiment in verse which no doubt was his guide thru life and which he may have composed. It is in German and is reproduced on the next page.

It is too bad we don't have more chronicled accounts of his life and activities for a permanent record such as he is worthy of, but we hope this will suffice to keep him in memory for posterity.

Fleissing beten, frueh aufstehen,
Kost nicht viel und laesst doch schoen.
Es ist nichts schoener auf dieser Welt
Als eine Seel die Gott gefaellt.

Befiehl dem Herrn deine Wege, und
Hoffe auf ihm, er wird es alles wohlmachen.
Trachte stets darnach was recht gethan,
Ob gleich nicht lobt ein Jedermann.

All mein Anfang zu dieser Frist,
Gescheh im Namen Jesu Christ;
Der steh mir bei heut frueh und spat,
Bis all mein Thun ein Ende hat.

Jesu, du grosser Himmels Herr!
Verlass mich nun und nimmermehr;
Verhelf mir einst nach dieser Zeit
Zur ewigen Freud und Seeligkeit.

Amen, in Jesus Namen, Amen.

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Children of Jacob and Eva P. Unruh Siebert, and to whom married:

- A. LENA SIEBERT to
HENRY KOEHN
- B. SUSIE SIEBERT to
BENJAMIN UNRUH
- C. ABRAHAM SIEBERT to
EVA UNRUH
- D. MARIA SIEBERT to
PETER T. UNRUH
- E. EVA SIEBERT to
CORNELIUS UNRUH
- F. HENRY SIEBERT to
LOUISA A. NICKEL
- G. KATIE SIEBERT to
1st: JACOB UNRUH
2nd: DAVID UNRUH

APPENDIX.

JACOB J. SIEBERT, born 16 Aug. 1796 in Poland. Died 19 July 1887. He was a Mennonite by faith, date of baptism not known.

He was married to the widow

MRS. BENJAMIN UNRUH, nee MARIA BULLER, born 22 Dec. 1816 in Poland. She died 2 May 1893. Her parents: Henry Buller and Eva Unruh. They had seven children whose index follows below:

- A. LENA SIEBERT, born about 1838 in Russian Poland.
Mennonite, married to
HENRY KOEHN, born about 1835 in do do
Parents: (Not known)

(From here on this genealogy is given in detail in the Schartner record with index as follows:)

I. ELSA KOEHN to
Rev. Fredrich Schartner

1. Tobias Schartner to
Anna Luedke
2. Marie Schartner to
Rev. Dietr. Engbrecht
3. Susanna Schartner to
Abraham J. Wiens
4. Kathryn Schartner to
Dr. Dietrich Tieszen
5. Henry Schartner to
Margaret Tieszen
6. John Schartner
7. Abraham Schartner
8. Anne Schartner to
Jacob Boese
9. Agneta Schartner
10. Isaac Schartner to
Tena Schoenwald

II. JACOB KOEHN to
Amalia Deckert

1. Heinrich Koehn
2. Fred Koehn to
Helena Unruh

3. Jacob J. Koehn

4. Tobias J. Koehn to
Emma J. Schmidt

5. Helena Koehn

6. Johann Koehn

7. Maria Koehn

8. Susanna Koehn

9. Isaak Koehn

10. Anna Koehn

III. SUSANNA KOEHN to
Benjamin Becker (No record)

IV. TOBIAS KOEHN to do
Susie Unruh

V. MARIE KOEHN to
Henry Buller do

VI. HENRY KOEHN to do
Susie Dirks

VII. BENJAMIN KOEHN to do
Marie Dirks

VIII. HELENA KOEHN to
John Unruh

IX. GERHART KOEHN

X. CATHARINE KOEHN

B. SUSANNA SIEBERT, born 31 Dec. 1840. She died 1 Nov. 1887 at the age of 27 years. She had three children, 2 of which survived.

She was married to

BENJAMIN UNRUH, born 8 Feb. 1839 and died 29 Aug. 1875.

I. JOHN UNRUH to
1st: Elizabeth Decker

1. Benjamin Unruh

2. Peter Unruh to
Lizzie Becker

3. Aganetha Unruh to
David Becker

4. William Unruh to
Helena Unruh

5. Mary Unruh to
Jacob Becker

6. Lena Unruh to
Jacob J. Unruh

7. Abraham Unruh to
Lizzie Unruh

8. Isaac J. Unruh to
Mornie Giesel

9. Jacob J. C. Unruh to
Susie Nichols

10. Susie Unruh to
Dan H. Becker

11. David J. Unruh to
Della Decker

12. Frieda Unruh to
Harry Koehn

13. Martha Unruh to
Tobias Koehn

JOHN UNRUH to
2nd: Karolina Unruh.

2. Peter J. Goertz to
Bena Schroeder

3. John P. Goertz to
1st: Lydia Reiswig
2nd: Elizabeth Fleming

4. David P. Goertz to
Helen Ediger

5. Henry Goertz to
Selma Jantz

6. Jacob Goertz to
Marie Schroeder

7. Helena Goertz to
Joel J. Schmidt

8. Abraham Goertz

9. Herman J. Goertz to
Helen Kehler

10. Frank J. Goertz to
Frieda Ewert

11. Cornelius Goertz to
Elizabeth Flammig

12. Martha Goertz to
Herman Ewert

13. Frieda Goertz to
Cornelius Kehler

III. JACOB B. UNRUH (died)

C. ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT

(His family record follows on
next page in so far as we have
been able to obtain it).

II. MARIE UNRUH to
Peter Goertz

1. Marie Goertz to
C. F. Bergman

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
C. ABRAHAM J. SIEBERT Mennonite Minister. EVA P. UNRUH Parents: Rev. Peter Unruh and Maria Becker.	6 Oct. 1842 1 Oct. 1862 24 Feb. 1845	Karol s walde, Pol. to Jadwenin, Pol.	26 Apr. 1918 26 Apr. 1925
I. JACOB A. SIEBERT	21 Feb. 1865	Greunta1, Russ.	May 1908
II. TOBIAS A. SIEBERT	22 Aug. 1868	do	Aug. 1921
III. JOHN A. SIEBERT (No record available)	31 Mar. 1871	do	
IV. HELENA A. SIEBERT	17 Aug. 1874	Karolswalde	16 June 1953
V. MARY A. SIEBERT Mennonite Frank Vogt Parents:	15 Nov. 1876 3 July 1905	Great Bend, Kans. to	Butterfield, Minn.
1. Bertha Vogt Paul Ratzlaff	22 Apr. 1906	to	
(1) Myrtle Ratzlaff		4. Henry Vogt	
(2) Loretta Ratzlaff		5. Frank Vogt, Jr.	
(3) Rose Mary Ratzlaff		6. Rose Vogt	
2. Mary Vogt		7. Clarence Vogt	
3.		8.	
VI. MARTHA SIEBERT Episcopalian 1st: Harry Moffett 2nd: Edward Marshall	28 July 1882 24 Sep. 1933	Petoskey, Mich. to	602 Jennings Av., 17 Feb. 1950

Mr. Moffett served commendably in the Y. M. C. A. in Europe in World War I. After the war he served with distinction in the Near East Relief Organization in Turkey for the persecuted Armenians.

Turkey had entered the war on the side of Germany. The Armenians, because of being Christians, had always been hated by the Turks so they forthwith accused them of aiding the Allies. In April 1915 the Turks set out once more to exterminate the Armenian people. Untold thousands of men, women and children were driven into the deserts and left to die. Their sole benefactors were the Americans of the Near East Relief. They brought food, clothing and medicines, cared for their multitudes of orphans and treated them like dignified human beings.

Mrs. Martha Siebert Moffett was married the second time to Mr. Edward Marshall.

VII. NICODEMUS SIEBERT	1 Feb. 1884	Petoskey, Mich.	2 May 1908
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D. MARIA J. SIEBERT, born 18 Oct. 1844 Russ. Pol. Died 30 Dec. 1924.

She was of the Mennonite faith and married

PETER T. UNRUH, born 5 July 1841 Russ. Pol. do 17 Feb. 1908.

Parents: Tobias Unruh and Helena Thomas.

(This family branch is given in Tobias A. Unruh Record and also in the Schartner Record.)

I. HELENA UNRUH to
Benjamin W. Deckert

1. John B. Deckert to
Nettie Schmidt

2. Marie Deckert

3. Helena Deckert to
Fred H. F. Buller

4. Abraham Deckert

5. Peter B. Deckert to
Susie Schmidt

6. Susan Deckert to
Joe L. Thomas

7. Elizabeth Deckert to
Henry H. F. Buller

8. William Deckert

9. Eva B. Deckert to
Henry J. Thomas

10. Joel Deckert to
Minnie Schrag

11. Katherine Deckert to
Henry Goertz

12. Lydia Deckert to
Jonathan Graber

13. Hanna Deckert to
Elias Kaufman

2. Peter H. Unruh to
Amalia Dirks

3. Susie Unruh to
Carl Schmidt

4. Jonathan Unruh

5. Anthony Unruh to
1st: Anna Albrecht
2nd: Frieda Schmidt

6. Elisabeth Unruh

7. Anna Unruh

8. William Unruh to
Louise Boese

III. JACOB P. UNRUH to
Helena Dirks

1. Fredrich Unruh

2. Marie Unruh

3. Helena Unruh to
William J. Unruh

4. Lydia Unruh to
Jacob Esau

5. Jacob J. Unruh to
Lena Unruh

6. Martha Unruh to
Peter Becker

7. Esther S. Unruh

8. Susan Unruh

9. Hulda Unruh to
Paul Koehn

II. HENRY P. UNRUH to
Helena Schultz

1. Ben Unruh to
Blanche Rose

IV. ELIZABETH UNRUH to
Jacob B. Becker

1. Susie Becker to
Peter W. Schroeder
 2. Marie Becker
 3. Eva Becker to
John W. Schroeder
 4. David Becker to
Marie Schroeder
 5. Helen Becker to
Joseph L. Thomas
 6. Henry Becker
 7. Joseph Becker to
Esther Unruh
 8. Ruben Becker to
Elsie Unruh
 9. Anton Becker (Minister)
 10. Sam Becker to
Ella Unruh
 11. Alvina Becker to
Peter J. Nickel
 12. Martha Becker (Missionary)
 13. Aaron Becker to
Hilda Nickel
 14. Jacob Becker to
Rose Enszt
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V. JOHN P. UNRUH to
Maria Tieszen

1. Peter J. Unruh
 2. Anna J. Unruh
 3. Mary J. Unruh
 4. Helen J. Unruh to
John Schmidt
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VI. SUSIE UNRUH (died)

VII. ISAAC UNRUH do

VIII. MARIA P. UNRUH to
Benjamin L. Deckert

1. Jacob Deckert to
Ruby Harry
2. Albert Deckert
3. Emma Deckert to
Henry Klassen
4. Herman Deckert to
Eva Loewen
5. August Deckert to
Sadie Wessels
6. Ida Deckert to
George Wiens
7. William Deckert
8. Caleb Deckert
9. Helen Deckert to
Herbert Schmidt
10. Henry Deckert to
Esther Nickel

IX. EVA UNRUH to
Andrew Deckert

1. Ludwig A. Deckert to
Tillie Buse
2. Herbert A. Deckert to
Olivia Graber
3. Frieda Deckert to
Abe J. Schmidt
4. Kermit A. Deckert
5. Mary Deckert to
Andrew T. Kehn
6. Joseph A. Deckert to
Marie Amelang

7. Susan Deckert to
Arthur Angst

8. Helmuth Deckert

5. Bessie Unruh to
Jacob P. Unruh

6. Ralph Unruh

7. Winifred Unruh

8. Arlena Unruh

X. TOBIAS UNRUH to
Elizabeth Schmidt

1. Kermit A. Unruh to
1st: Ethel Davis (Divorced)
2nd: Mary Terwillegar

2. Leo E. Unruh to
Cornelia Kinsey

II. FRED UNRUH to
Lydia Krehbiel

1. Ruby Unruh to
James Hampton

2. Franklin Unruh

3. Lincoln Unruh

4. Marion D. Unruh

5. Alvena M. Unruh

6. Eva L. Unruh

7. Allen Unruh

8. Naomi R. Unruh

9. Letha Unruh.

XI. PETER P. UNRUH to
Katie Boese

1. Delcie Unruh to
Edward J. Deckert

2. Elma Unruh to
Ferd Thomas

3. Verna Unruh to
Erwin Schmidt

4. Esther Unruh to
Clifford Wentzel

XII. ABRAHAM P. UNRUH to
Aganetha Unruh

1. Hannah M. Unruh

2. Jonathan Unruh.

III. HERMAN UNRUH to
Ida Unruh

1. Frances Unruh

2. Wesley Unruh

3. Curtis Unruh

4. Nora Unruh.

E. EVA J. SIEBERT to
CORNELIUS UNRUH

I. ISAAC C. UNRUH to
Lena Jantz

1. Rica Unruh to
Dick E. Friesen

2. Ernest Unruh

3. Isam Unruh to
Lena Buller

4. Leeva Unruh to
Clarence Tuxhorn

IV. JOSPEH UNRUH to
W. May Russell

1. Leota J. Unruh

2. Eva L. Unruh

3. Murtis F. Unruh

V. EDWARD UNRUH to
. Letha Lyle

VI. ELMER UNRUH to
Amanda Koehn

- 1. Henry R. Unruh
- 2. Rosie F. Unruh
- 3. Lulu M. Unruh
- 4. Ruby L. Unruh
- 5. Marvin F. Unruh

- 4. Edward Koehn
- 5. Allen Koehn
- 6. Arthur Koehn

IX. ANNA UNRUH to
Benjamin Frantz

- 1. Helen Frantz
- 2. Lizzie Frantz
- 3. Martha Frantz
- 4. Irwin Frantz
- 5. Elsie Frantz
- 6. John Frantz
- 7. Alice Frantz
- 8. Benj. Frantz, Jr.
- 9. Annie Frantz
- 10. Albert Frantz
- 11. Corni Frantz

X. DORA UNRUH to
William H. Knoll

- 1. Pearl E. Knoll
- 2. Alma Z. Knoll
- 3. Edna L. Knoll
- 4. Harry H. Knoll

VII. MARIE UNRUH to
Cornelius Knaak

- 1. Fredrick Knaak to
Thelma Hubbard
- 2. Marie Knaak to
Howard Zismann
- 3. Anna Knaak to
Ezra Jantzen
- 4. Eva M. Knaak
- 5. Dora Knaak
- 6. Lizzie Knaak
- 7. Harley Knaak

VIII. SUSIE UNRUH to
Jacob Koehn

- 1. Lydia Koehn
- 2. Albert Koehn
- 3. Fred Koehn

(Above record from UNRUH chart by J. A. Boese)

F. HENRY JACOB SIEBERT born 2 May 1849 Russ. Pol. Died 1 Aug. 1909
to LOUISA (or LIZZIE) NICKEL born 1851 do " 30 May 1915
Parents: Andreas Nickel and . . .

I. JONATHAN SIEBERT 16 Dec. 1870 Russia July 1940
Prot. 31 Oct. 1903 to
Flora Chamberlain

II. JACOB SIEBERT 27 Dec. 1871 Russia 4 May 1946
Prot. 1 May 1896 to
1st: Amelia Spegleiries. 2nd marriage to Amanda Bell

Name and Religion	Birthdate & Marriage	Birthplace	Deathdate or address
III. JULIUS SIEBERT Prot. Jessie Collingwood	4 Dec. 1872 24 Oct. 1903	Russia to	4 Apr. 1945
IV. MARY SIEBERT Port. P. D. Krehbiel	24 Dec. 1875	Indiana to	1902
V. MATHILDA SIEBERT Prot. S. E. Young	22 Dec. 1875	Barton Co., Kan. to	1928
VI. ANNA SIEBERT Prot. J. A. Krehbiel	10 Mar. 1880 2 Feb. 1898	Barton Co., Kan. to	
VII. FREDERICKA SIEBERT Prot. J. C. Seyb	18 Feb. 1882 7 Aug. 1906	do to	
VIII. DORA SIEBERT Prot. R. C. Voran	17 Mar. 1884 16 Aug. 1905	Halstead, Kan. to	
IX. EDWARD SIEBERT Chr. of N. Jerusalem Ethel Bramwell Parents: Wm. Bramwell and Lizzie McCorvan.	16 Sep. 1886 28 Oct. 1908 23 Oct. 1889	Pretty Prairie, Kans. to do	Pretty Prairie, Kan.
1. Virgil Wm. Siebert Prot. Agnes Woodington	14 Oct. 1910 10 Apr. 1935	Lincoln, Neb. to	
2. Virginia Siebert Prot. A. W. McGovern	11 July 1920 27 May 1942	Pretty Prairie, Kan. to	
3. Cecil Robt. Siebert Prot. Mary Ford	26 Nov. 1922 6 Mar. 1949	do to	
G. KATHERINE J. SIEBERT Mennonite 1st: JACOB UNRUH 2nd: DAVID UNRUH	1859	Russ. Poland to	. . . . .. . . . .

